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SHANGHAI TROUBLE.

Further Stone-Throwing Incidents.

POLICE DISPERSE CROWDS.

Agitators Intimidate Cotton Mill Employees.

Latest cables from Shanghai, where a general strike has begun as part of the Cantonese "movement from within," report little change in the situation.

There have been some sporadic disturbances, but the police have been able to disperse the crowds without difficulty. The damage is negligible.

Naval wireless messages received by the Hong Kong naval authorities report a few stone-throwing incidents against foreigners at Ichang, otherwise Yangtse ports are quiet.

STONE THROWING.

Police Easily Disperse
Crowds.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

Some sporadic disturbances occurred to-day. For example Chinese factory children and loafers this evening threw stones into the enclosure where twenty British signallers and some Punjabis were billeted.

They broke down a bamboo fence. Police detachments dispersed the crowds who took refuge in alleyway and stoned the police. However there were no casualties.

At a Japanese cotton mill in the International Settlement intimidators prevented employees from working and stoned the premises. The police dispersed them without difficulty. The damage is negligible and there were no casualties.—Reuter.

NAVAL WIRELESS NEWS.

Stone Throwing Incidents at
Ichang.

The following naval wireless messages were received overnight by the local naval authorities:—

A few stone-throwing incidents against foreigners have occurred at Ichang, otherwise the situation there is unchanged.

Agreements have been signed at Hankow between Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen.

The situation there remains the same.

A few wounded have arrived at Kiukiang from down-river, also a Soviet aeroplane from Hankow.

H.M.S. "Durban" which, together with H.M.S. "Caradoc" left Hong Kong for the North on Friday, was recalled here when she was in the neighbourhood of Mira Bay. The "Durban" left again on Saturday.

There are rumours that the 1st Cruiser Squadron, at present in Hong Kong, are shortly leaving for the North.

WHY THEY STRUCK.

Orders From General Labour
Union.

Rugby, Feb. 20.

A strike movement, which was not unexpected, began in Shanghai yesterday. The strikers' manifesto states that their action is in celebration of the Cantonese Nationalists' victory, coupled with a desire to depose Sun Chuan-fang.

The Chinese City and the French Concession are affected as well as the International Settlement. All the cotton operatives have joined the strike, together with a large portion of the general service employees, including the Chinese postal workers, but little disorder has occurred.

The workers say they have struck on the instructions of the General Labour Union. General services are being maintained in the International Settlement by Volunteers.

Press telegraphs report the arrival in the Shanghai outskirts of crowds of disorganised soldiery. It is considered probable that Sun Chuan-fang may attempt another stand between Hangchow and Shanghai, but reports of movements of defeated forces are obscure and contradictory.—British Wireless Service.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

How the General Strike
Began.

Shanghai, Feb. 20.

There was some development in the strike situation to-day, but owing to it being Sunday it is impossible to determine the exact extent. It is estimated that between 80,000 to 100,000 workers are idle.

Intimidation has been playing a great part. The crews of the International Settlement houses were finally forced out this afternoon, so public transportation is confined to rich and public hire motorcars.

House servants are not yet affected.

The cotton mill strikes include the employees of a number of Chinese-owned concerns. The Chinese crews of a number of British and Chinese coasting vessels also struck.

Labour Union's Statement.

The General Labour Union has issued a statement declaring its aims which include the continuation of anti-imperialistic propaganda, the elimination of militarists, the formation of a

EIGHTH DESTROYER FLOTILLA.

Malta, Feb. 20.

The Eighth Destroyer Flotilla has left for China.—Reuter.

Peoples' Government, freedom of speech and the Press, an eight-hour day, increase of wages, recognition of the unions, better treatment for labourers and similar wages for male and female workers.

However, Chinese newspapers state that the real object of the strike is to "welcome the Nationalist armies to Shanghai."

Hitherto there have been no disturbances beyond the minor ones usually associated with strikes of any sort, but there is an under-current of excitement prevalent. No definite anti-foreign tendencies have yet been shown.—Reuter.

Agitators Decapitated.

While agitators in the International Settlement and the French Concession have been given practically a free hand, this by no means is the case in the Chinese city where Sun Chuan-fang's Commissioner of Defence, General Li Pao-chang, has issued a proclamation that any persons found inciting the people to strike, or interfering with the workers, will be summarily executed. It is known that three persons have already been decapitated in the Chinese city, on the charge of being agitators.

Those executed are reported to number at least twenty. The three mentioned were beheaded in the street, their heads being hung on posts as a warning.—Reuter.

France's Attitude.

Paris, Feb. 20.

The situation at Shanghai is being followed with intense interest here. The Government is fully aware of the potential gravity of the situation, though it has not received direct news from Shanghai to-day. No fresh decisions have been taken in regard to reinforcing the French forces. It is stated that as far as the French arrangements at Shanghai are concerned, instructions sent to the French Consul-General a month ago have not been amended. He has a free hand to act on the spot as circumstances require, and is to take all necessary steps

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PLENTY OF FOOD.

Supplies For Troops In
Hong Kong.

NO EXCUSE FOR HOARDING.

No anxiety need be felt in the Colony with regard to food supplies through two Brigades and other units of the Shanghai Defence division being diverted here.

On inquiry from Headquarters of the South China Command this morning, the "China Mail" learned that most of the supplies will be shipped here from elsewhere. In fact it may be that quantities which can last several months are on the troopships, coming out with the men.

Bread is made here by the Royal Army Service Corps from flour supplied to the War Office. Jam, butter, tinned milk etc., will be procured from Australia. Tea, sugar, salt and spices will be shipped out from Home. Local (native) meats are not used and the new men will also be fed on frozen meats for which direct contracts will be made with Australia. There are cold storage facilities in the Colony for several hundreds of tons, so that there will be no difficulty on this account.

There is only one item in the very big matter of feeding so many thousands of men. This is the purchase of vegetables and the question has not yet been decided whether they will be procured locally.

In view of the above official statement, there is no excuse whatever for residents hoarding up tinned foods for fear that prices will go up.

From provision merchants the "China Mail" also gathers that dealers, etc., have taken time by the forelock. They anticipated that there would be a big demand and put in orders that would not

NAVAL PARADE.

An Impressive Spectacle in
Hong Kong.

More than two thousand Bluejackets and marines from the 1st Cruiser Squadron paraded through the Western districts of the City this morning, presenting a stirring spectacle with fixed bayonets, steel helmets and full marching order.

Units were interspersed with bands, this being necessitated by the extreme length of the contingent.

Marching along Queen's Road, the Bluejackets, turned into D'Aguilar Street and Wellington Street and thence into Chinatown.

The field guns which were to have formed part of the procession when it was originally planned were not included in the demonstration.

Many have lasted the Colony for three years if not more.

As to the accommodation to be found, the "China Mail" was informed by headquarters that the only decision made is that the two Brigades will go into camp at Fanling and Kwai, in the New Territories.

Places like the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon Hotel (as an officers' mess), the Rope Factory on the mainland, the old Hide Factory at Mautauval (near Kowloon City), the Diocesan Boys' School and King's College (as military hospitals, military barracks vacated by the 2nd Suffolk Regiment, are all under contemplation but the arrangements are only tentative.

It may be that the two Brigades will not even stay here but may, of necessity, have to go elsewhere. Or the weather may be unfavourable. Everything depends on the trend of political developments. But if the troops stay here indefinitely, the first move to bring them into the urban districts will begin about March 15.

Preparing For Troops.

The first of the troops from Home to form the Shanghai Defence Force are due in Hong Kong at the end of this week. It is understood that the Infantry Brigades will go into camp immediately on arrival, to Kwai and Fanling/Golf Course, and that most of them will then come in to the billets that have been arranged for them locally.

The latest buildings to be mentioned in this connection are the Kowloon and King Edward Hotels. The Peninsula Hotel will accommodate the 2nd Bat-

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CONCESSIONS AGREEMENT.

Further Details From Hankow.

NATIONALIST STATEMENT.

Against the Use of Force To Effect Changes.

Further details have been received from Hankow regarding the agreement signed between Mr. Eugene Chen, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, and Mr. Owen St. Clair O'Malley, the British Legation representative, to settle the future status of the Concessions at Hankow and Kiukiang.

The agreement follows the lines already published, but a new note is struck by a Nationalist communique which affirms that the policy of the Nationalist Government is not to use force or to countenance the use of force to effect changes in the status of Concessions.

The agreement, it is interesting to note, must have been signed before Mr. O'Malley could have received news of the general strike in Shanghai, a fact which disposes of any suggestion that the British signature was influenced by events in the International Settlement.

HANKOW'S FUTURE.

Establishing Special Municipal
District.

The following is the agreement relative to the British Concession at Hankow:—The proper British authorities will summon the annual general meeting of ratepayers in accordance with the Land Regulations on March 15. The British Municipality will thereupon be dissolved and the administration of the Concession area will be formally handed over to the new Chinese Municipality. Pending the handing over to the new Chinese Municipality on March 15 the policing of the Concession and the management of the public works and sanitation will be conducted by the Chinese authorities now in charge thereof.

The Nationalist Government will upon the dissolution of the British Council forthwith set up a special Chinese Municipality modelled on that of the special Administrative District for the administration of the concession area under regulations which will be communicated to H.B.M. Minister by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government. These regulations will remain in force until such time as arrangements have been negotiated for the amalgamation of the five Hankow Concessions and former Concessions into one unified Municipal District.

[The five Hankow Concessions referred to are the British, French, Japanese, former German and former Russian Concessions.]

KIUKIANG CONCESSION.

Compensation For British
Losses.

The agreement relative to the British Concession at Kiukiang is as follows:—

A settlement on similar lines to that concluded in the case of the Hankow Concession will immediately be made in the case of the Concession at Kiukiang.

If any direct losses due to the action or culpable negligence of the agents of the Nationalist Government were suffered by British subjects during the recent disturbances at Kiukiang such losses will be compensated by the Nationalist Government.

Nationalist Regulations.

Mr. Eugene Chen sent the following letter to Mr. O'Malley:—
"I have the honour to communicate to you the regulations which the Nationalist Government will promulgate for the administration of the British Concession area at Hankow."

[The regulations have not yet been received in Hong Kong.]

EQUAL RIGHTS.

Mr. Chen and Mr. O'Malley
Exchange Assurances.

Mr. O'Malley sent the following letter to Mr. Chen:—

"I have the honour to assure you that the British Authorities concerned will do all that lies in their power to implement and ensure the successful operation of the agreement signed to-day relative to the British Concession area at Hankow and that as far as the British Authorities are concerned Chinese citizens will enjoy and be entitled to the same rights

as British subjects in the said area."

Mr. Chen replied in the following terms:—

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of to-day's date in which you assure me that the British Authorities concerned will do all that lies in their power to implement and ensure the successful operation of the agreement signed to-day relative to the British Concession area at Hankow and that as far as the British Authorities are concerned Chinese citizens will enjoy and be entitled to the same rights as British subjects in the said area."

"I have the honour to assure you in return that the Chinese Authorities for their part will likewise do their utmost to implement and ensure the successful operation of the agreement in question and that so far as they are concerned there will be no discrimination against British interests in the administration of the new district."

NATIONALIST STATEMENT.

Policy Not To Make Use of
Force.

The following communique was issued by Mr. Chen:—

"Reports reaching the Nationalist Government from many quarters appear to make a re-statement of Nationalist policy regarding Concessions and International Settlements necessary and timely in order to avoid misapprehension and prevent needless apprehension and fear."

"In the manifesto of January 22, the Nationalist Government declared their intention and their immediate readiness to have all questions outstanding between Nationalist China and the Foreign Powers settled by negotiation and agreement. This implicitly applied and it was intended to apply to changes in the status of all Concessions and all International Settlements in China."

"This necessarily means that the policy of the Nationalist Government is not to use force or to countenance the use of force to effect changes in the status of any or all Concessions and International Settlements."

"The Nationalist Government have to lay it down that changes in the status of Concessions and International Settlements wherever situated in China are of such vital and national importance that no local Nationalist Government can negotiate with the Foreign Powers concerned in respect thereof."

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

Official News From
Hankow.

Shanghai, Feb. 20.

A telegram from Hankow states that it is officially announced that Mr. Eugene Chen and Mr. O'Malley signed the Agreement at seven o'clock yesterday evening.—Reuter.

Viscount Grey's Views.

London, Feb. 19.

Referring to the difficulties in China, Viscount Grey, addressing a meeting at Bradford, said that it was so much before us that we

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NOTICE.**HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.****RACE MEETING 1927.**

28th February, 1st, 2nd &
5th March.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission
are now ready and may be
obtained by those Members, who
have not already received them,
from Messrs. Linstead & Davis,
Alexandra Buildings.
Members are reminded that these
Badges will also admit them to all
the Extra Race Meetings of this
year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of
introducing two non-members to
the Members' Enclosure.
A limited number of tickets are
available and may be obtained from
Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexan-
dra Buildings, on or before Satur-
day February 26th, 1927, at a cost
of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the
Meeting.
The charge for admission for
Ladies to the Members' Enclosure
will be \$4 per day. Each member
can obtain upon application to the
Secretary, badges for the admis-
sion of two Ladies free of
charge. On no pretext will chil-
dren be permitted in either
enclosure during the first three
days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the
Public Enclosure, price \$3 per
day for all persons including
Ladies, may be purchased from
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. or at
the Gate.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform
admitted to the Public Enclosure at
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Admission by ticket only.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be
issued on application to Messrs.
Linstead & Davis, Alexandra
Buildings.
Employers are requested to dis-
tribute them with discrimination,
and to endorse their names on the
passes.
Servants are not permitted in the
Members' Enclosure except for
passing through on their duties, but
must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering
about with Servants' Passes in
their possession will forfeit the
same and will be removed from the
enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th Feb., 1927.

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Public Auctions.

The undersigned have received
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NOTICES.**HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.**

AN EXTRAORDINARY GEN-
ERAL MEETING will be held
at the Cathedral Hall, on MON-
DAY, February 28th, at 5.30 p.m.
BUSINESS.—To arrange the pro-
gramme for Season 1927-8.
Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**DERBY SWEEP.**

THE Non-Selling Lottery on
"The Hong Kong Derby" will
be drawn in the Hong Kong
Club Stand at the Race Course on
SATURDAY, 26th February, 1927
at 3 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1927.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL GEN-
ERAL MEETING OF THE
KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSO-
CIATION will be held in the ST.
ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL,
KOWLOON, on MONDAY, 21st
February, 1927, at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Adoption of Report and Accounts
for the year 1926.
Election of Officers and Commit-
tee for 1927.

Any other business.
The presence at the meeting of
all interested in the welfare of
Kowloon is solicited and expected,
whether they are members of the
Association or not.

P. W. STAPLETON,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, Feb. 16, 1927.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON**WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.****NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

THE FORTIETH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURS-
DAY, February 24th, 1927, AT
NOON, for the purpose of receiv-
ing the Report of the Directors and
the Statement of Accounts for the
year ending December 31st, 1926.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE
Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, February 14th, 1927 to
THURSDAY, February 24th, 1927,
BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, Feb. 5th, 1927.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI**BANKING CORPORATION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS
in this Corporation will be held at
City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATUR-
DAY, the 26th February, 1927, at
Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Court of Directors
together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1926.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES OF
the Corporation will be CLOSED
from MONDAY, the 14th February
to SATURDAY, the 26th February,
1927 (both days inclusive) during
which period no transfer of shares
can be registered.

By Order of the Court of
Directors.

A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th February, 1927.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC**COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the THIRTY-EIGHTH
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
will be held at the Company's
Office, P. & O. Building, on
SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at
11 a.m. for the purpose of present-
ing the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of
Accounts to 31st December, 1926,
and electing Directors and Audi-
tors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
21st February to 6th March, 1927,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
LTD.
Agents.
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1927.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS**LIMITED.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
GENERAL MEETING of Hong
Kong Tramways Limited will be
held at the offices of Messrs.
Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 7th
day of March, 1927, at 12 o'clock
noon to transact the ordinary busi-
ness of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that the REGISTER OF
MEMBERS of the company will
be CLOSED from TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 22nd to MONDAY, 7th
MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1927.

HEALTH WEEK.**LECTURES AT CHINESE
Y.M.C.A.****FREE MEDICAL TREATMENT.**

To give an impetus to the move-
ment for creating among the
Chinese population greater inter-
est in matters of public health, an
inaugural meeting in connection
with Health Week "was held on
Saturday night in the auditorium
of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The lobby of the Y.M.C.A. is
covered with illustrations of
simple health hints, the practical
advice given being easy to follow
and without technicalities.

During the week 100 persons
will be given free medical examina-
tion every night and as many as
wish to will be vaccinated free of
charge. An eye specialist, a speci-
alist on teeth, a specialist on heart
and lung diseases and an ear,
nose and throat specialist will be
in attendance.

The inauguration of Health
Week is due to the activities of
Dr. Chau Wai-cheung, President
of the Chinese Medical Associa-
tion and of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.
Lectures on health topics will
be given throughout the week.

The movement, which it is
hoped, will become an annual
event, was brought into being
under the joint auspices of the
Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the China
Medical Association (Hong Kong
Branch).

Saturday's Meetings.

The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow
presided over Saturday's meeting,
and after a few introductory re-
marks, called upon the Hon. Dr.
R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., to address
the meeting.

The Hon. Dr. Kotewall, who
was received with applause,
said that of the several public
movements with which he had
been associated during the past
few years, he considered the
health campaign to be one of the
most important, for health was
the foundation of a nation. As
Lord Beaconsfield had so forcibly
put it: "Public health is the
foundation on which repose the
happiness of the people and the
power of the country."

Continuing, Mr. Kotewall said:
"I feel honoured in being in-
vited by the Chinese Medical Asso-
ciation and the Chinese Y.M.C.A.
to give the opening address at
this inaugural meeting, and I
should like to express on behalf
of the Chinese community our
grateful thanks to the busy men
who have promised to give up so
much of their valuable time to
the promotion of physical health
and the well-being of the com-
munity."

A few days ago, at the
British Medical Association
annual dinner whilst His
Excellency was advocating co-
operation with the Chinese
in the promotion of hygienic
knowledge, these two Chinese or-
ganisations had already been pre-
paring for Health Week in the
Colony. This proves that the
Chinese medical practitioners
have been fully alive to the need
for educating the masses in pre-
ventive medicine, so that the
people will have some knowledge
of the engines of the human body
and the attainment and main-
tenance of good health.

Sanitation in the Colony.
"During the last twenty years
or so, there is no doubt that
sanitation in the Colony has im-
proved very much. At the same
time, unfortunately, the masses
are still sadly ignorant of the ele-
mentary principles of hygiene.
The reason is to be found in the
fact that whilst the Government
has taken certain steps in regard
to cleanliness, action in connec-
tion with educational efforts has
been inadequate. I therefore
welcome the movement, and I
sincerely hope that the brilliant
group of general practitioners
and specialists in medicine, sur-
gery and hygiene, will make
Health Week an annual fixture.

There are some people to
whom cleanliness means nothing.
They allow filth and dirt to ac-
cumulate in their homes, not only
to the harm of themselves, but
also of their neighbours. There
are others who are so bound up
in their superstitious beliefs that
when they are ill or accidentally
poisoned, instead of going to a
doctor, they either rush off
to the temple for a prescription
shaken out of a bamboo tube, or
to a fortune-teller for a charm.
Should they recover, they give
the credit to the efficacy of the
charm; should they die, well,
it is a matter of fate. Were this
not a matter of life or death, one
would be inclined to laugh at it.

Again, there are some credulous
persons who swallow any sort of
patent medicine providing the ad-
vertisement covering it captures
their credulity. No wonder that
so many patent medicine makers
have amassed enormous fortunes,
and no wonder that many papers
are made financially possible by
their support.

"I do not say that some of the
patent medicines do not possess
the qualities or properties that
they claim, but I certainly main-
tain that if we were to look after
ourselves properly we would
have no need of spending so much
money on medicine at all—either
patent or prescribed.

Subject of Lectures.

"During the coming week the
public will have an opportunity
of hearing lectures by experts,
not only on the fundamental prin-
ciples of hygiene and good health,
but on special subjects such as
bubonic plague, tuberculosis,
small-pox and malaria. During
this period free physical examina-
tion and free vaccination will be
given. This is a great opportu-
nity for the public, especially
the poorer classes. Experience
shows that people take greater
care of themselves against dis-
eases, both pestilential and com-
municable, such as plague and
small-pox because of their terri-
ble aspect, and neglect preven-
table diseases such as malaria
and tuberculosis, because they
are to be met with every day. As
a Chinese philosopher once said,
"Fire, because of its fierceness, is
feared; water, because of its ap-
parent weakness, is played with,
but more people die in water than
through fire."

A Suggestion.

May I venture to suggest that
during this week the promoters
may find it possible to include a
lecture on the care of the teeth?
Medical science has traced many
diseases to bad teeth.

I have mentioned that some
people view life and death as
lying in the lap of fate. This is
a fallacious doctrine. Man is
still a master of his own fate.
Medical science and hygiene in
recent years have swept away the
belief that mortality is fatality—
that year after year "it
exacts a fixed and in-
evitable toll of human life.
Not long ago, infantile mortality
was very high in all nations, but
the advance of hygienic knowl-
edge has reduced it considerably.
In this Colony about thirty years
ago, bubonic plague recurred at
short intervals, claiming many
victims. To-day, we are happily
free from it, through greater
hygienic and sanitary precaution-
ary measures.

"Even were life and death a
matter of destiny, would it not
be better for us, while we live, to
be free from pain? Should we
not enjoy good health and thus
be able to render greater service
to the country?

"I am very glad to see that the
purpose and aim of this move-
ment are not only the avoidance
of sickness but the promotion of
excellent health.
"May I express the hope that,
after listening to the lectures, you
will spread the knowledge you
have thus acquired, so that in
time China will become a hap-
pier and greater nation in Lord
Beaconsfield's ideals?" (Ap-
plause.)

WORLD THEATRE.**"THE PRAIRIE WIFE"****TO-DAY.**

Dorothy Devore, the petite screen
comedian, is introduced in a
serious film role in "The Prairie
Wife."

Miss Devore will be seen in this
production as a wealthy Eastern
girl who leads a cultured sheltered
life until her family meets financial
reverses, and she marries a young
engineer, who takes her to his home-
stead on the prairies.

The struggles of the young couple
to make their barren land produc-
tive provide much action, some
strong drama, and a great deal of
comedy.

Herbert Rawlinson, one of the
most popular male stars on the
screen, was borrowed from Univer-
sity for the leading role, opposite
Miss Devore. The supporting cast
includes Gibson Gowland, Leslie
Stuart, Frances Prim, Erich von
Ritzau and others.

The picture was adapted from
the novel by Arthur Stringer and
directed by Hugo Ballin, prominent
director, artist and novelist, who
made "Vanity Fair" and many other
screen successes.

AT THE STAR.**"THE TEN COMMANDMENTS"****TO-DAY.**

Much has been written about
Cecil de Mille's masterpiece and it
will be long before writing and
talking cease in connection with
it. Its merit may be gauged by the
fact that it is still a strong attrac-
tion whenever and wherever shown.

No apology is made for giving
it yet another run on the Kowloon
side, after successful screenings at
both the Queen's and World Theatres.
The Biblical story is stupendous
in its magnificence, while the
modern portion of the tale carries
a moral which runs parallel, with-
out being slushy or over-sentimen-
tal. This is positively the last local
showing of the film and those who
have not yet seen it, or have a
commendable desire to see it once
more, should take this opportunity.
The picture will be shown to-day
and to-morrow only.

AT THE QUEEN'S.**"THE MARRIAGE CLAUSE"****TO-DAY.**

"The Marriage Clause" is a vivid
human document of a girl's rise
from obscurity to stardom on the
stage, of her mental and psychol-
ogical changes.

It is an intimate glimpse into
stage life, revealing not the gaudy
chorus girl and night life scenes
so common to pictures of this type,
but of the actual humans who
spend their lives in the theatre.
Billie Dove, as the ambitious girl
who becomes a star, gives what
must be the greatest performance
of her screen career.

Francis X. Bushman is a revela-
tion as the stage director who
makes a star of the girl, through
his love for her and his own bril-
liance and knowledge of the drama.

Although the picture is essentially
a starring role for the girl, Bush-
man's dominant personality always
demands and receives recognition.

The supporting cast contains
many striking personalities and
not a few splendid performances.
Grace Darmond's interpretation of
the jealous actress, Warner Oland
as the stage producer, Henry Vic-
tor, Caroline Snowdon, Henri La-
Garde, Robert Dudley, Charles
Meakin and others.

"The Marriage Clause" was
adapted by Miss Weber. It is
based on Dana Burnett's popular
Saturday Evening Post story,
"Technic."

COMING FILMS.**"THE MAKING OF O'MALLEY."**

For sufficient and satisfying rea-
sons, the local censor has not given
"The Fool" a pass and therefore
it has been removed from the pro-
gramme of future events. This is
extremely disappointing, as the
picture is a dramatic production of
high ethical standards. It is ban-
ned owing to the present state of
affairs in China generally, as there
is certain controversial matter in
the film on the subject of religion,
which of itself would cause debate
amongst the European population.
Its effect upon Chinese audiences
would probably be worse. For
"The Fool" a first class picture in
"The Making of O'Malley" has been
substituted. Details follow.

"The Making of O'Malley."

Becoming a star means to Milton
Sills merely heavier tasks to per-
form.
He began to realise this with
"The Making of O'Malley." Be-
fore he had completed his strenuous
role as the hero of Gerald Beaumont's
romance of the New York
police, the producer was outlining
the star's programme for the coming
year.

Sills's next picture after "The
Making of O'Malley" was to be
"The Comeback"—a stirring story
of a star adapted from M. D. C.
Crawford's novel of the prize ring
and the lumber camp.

With the completion of "The
Comeback" Sills plunged into "Men
of Steel" one of First National's
big specials of the year. This picture
is adapted from R. G. Kirk's story
of the steel industry, "United
States Flavour," which was published
recently in the Saturday "Even-
ing Post."

In "The Making of O'Malley"
Sills plays the part of a New York
copper. He is ably supported by
Dorothy Mackall, Thomas Car-
rigan, Claude King, Helen Rowland,
Warner Richmond and Julia Hurley.
Lambert Hillyer directed this
picture under the supervision of
Earl Hudson.

"Man and Maid."

The Elinor Glyn, feature, "Man
and Maid," is coming to the Queen's
Theatre shortly.
Madame Glyn is usually using
new "funds" in her productions.
In "Three Weeks" she gave Allen
Pringle her first great chance in
the role of the Queen. In "His
Hour" she chose John Gilbert for
the hero role, which definitely es-
tablished him as one of the screen's
greatest lovers.

In "Man and Maid" practically
the entire cast are "funds."
One girl, Dagmar Desmond, was
a society woman who lived in
Fresno, California. Madame Glyn,
while speaking before a Woman's
Club during the showing of "His
Hour," met Miss Desmond, was
charmed by her and offered her a
trial in pictures. The screen was
furthered from Miss Desmond's
thoughts, yet she took advantage of
the opportunity and made good.
She is seen in the role of the allur-
ing widow, Odette, in the Glyn
feature.

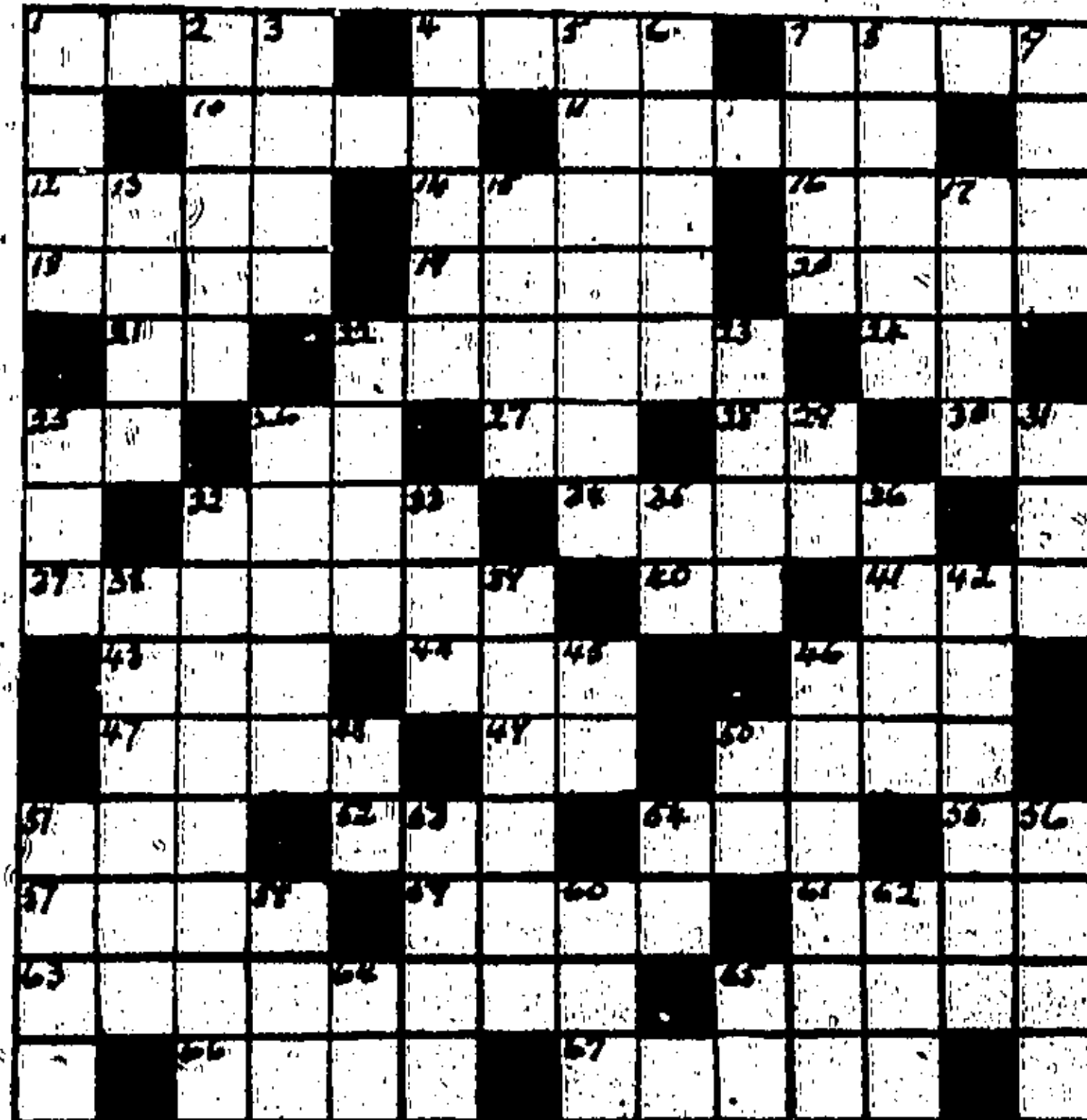
Low Cody and Harriet Hammond
head the cast.

NEW DUTCH TREATY.**The Hague, Feb. 19.**

A memorandum, replying to the
report of the First Chamber in re-
gard to the Bill for the ratification
of the Dutch-Belgian Treaty, de-
clares that the assertion that the
Treaty will be onerous for the
Netherlands is a great exaggera-
tion. Rejection of the Treaty
would add fuel to Dutch-Belgian
antagonism and encourage those
desiring annexation. Its rejection
would not be to the interest of the
Netherlands even from an economic
viewpoint.—Reuter.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**NO 6—\$50 MUST BE WON****FIRST READ THESE RULES CAREFULLY THROUGH.**

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9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
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11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
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Clues Across.

1. To go quickly.
4. A blow.
7. A vessel for holding liquor.
10. Close by.
11. In front.
12. To tamper by heat.
14. Noting passage inwards.
16. Dutch colonist (South Africa).
18. A cry.
19. One who does anything.
20. Eject longingly.
21. H. L. (actual).
22. Earnestly desire for something.
24. T. G. (actual).
25. Not so.
26. T. E. (actual).
27. Denotes surprise (interj.).
28. 1st pers

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HAKATA MARU Wednesday, 23rd March.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.
SEIYO MARU Monday, 21st February.

TOKUSHIMA MARU Monday, 28th February.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.
MURORAN MARU Wednesday, 2nd March.

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The majority were saved, but the number of deaths is at present unknown.—Reuter.

Captain Arrested.

Berne, later.
Up to the present one body has been found. It is feared that there may be others. Thirty persons are in hospital.

The cause of the wreck has not yet been ascertained. The captain has been arrested.

The pilgrims were returning from Lecco where they had been doing homage to the head of St. Alois de Gonzaga, which had been taken round all the towns of Italy.—Reuter.

Two Dead; One Missing.

Berne, later.

Up to now it is known that two persons are dead and one missing from the pilgrim ship.—Reuter.

IMPROVED WEATHER.

London, Feb. 19.

The fog which Britain has experienced during the past week and which has held up shipping round the coasts has now cleared and meteorological authorities declare a recurrence of further prolonged spell of fog is most unlikely. The forecast is for fair weather.—British Wireless Service.

BRITISH FLEETS.

"CREAM OF THE WORLD'S TONNAGE"

A statistical table showing the British fleets of over 50,000 tons gross is published in the New Year number of "The Syren and Shipping." A comparison of the list of British ship-owners whose fleets aggregate 50,000 tons gross and over with that for the previous year, the accompanying article states, shows that there have been no very marked changes during the past twelve months. The feature of the list, the article adds, is that "it includes the cream of the mercantile tonnage of the world, whether viewed from the different angles of size, speed, luxury of accommodation, adaptation for specialised services such as the transportation of refrigerated produce, or from the point of general economical efficiency. In short, our table embraces the finest merchant shipping the world has produced. Thus we have the "Majestic," "Benarria," "Olympic," and "Aquitania," with a vast fleet of ships over 20,000 tons gross, including the world's fastest liner, the "Mauretania," which has crossed the Atlantic at an average speed of over 26 knots, and regularly averages more than 25; and a magnificent array of ships which can do about 20 knots. The comfort provided for their passengers by British lines and the punctilious regularity with which sailings are maintained is proverbial the world over. When these facts are considered our table assumes additional significance.

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ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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NYANZA	7,023	29th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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LAND ACQUIRED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.

STRAITS GOVERNMENT'S PURCHASE.

Singapore, Feb. 9.

The Straits Government have notified their intention to acquire three large areas of land, totalling 355 acres, in the Changi and Bedoh districts for military purposes.

While the nature of the works to be put in hand on these areas is still a secret, it is known that they will be in connection with the defence of the eastern approach to the Straits of Johore, on the Singapore side of which the naval base and aerodrome will be situated, and the military authorities have also taken small areas on Pulau Ubin, Pulau Tekong, and Pulau Tekong Kechil, all of which are islands in the eastern entrance to the Straits.

Several months ago the military were granted survey rights over the whole eastern corner of the island, or, in other words, the whole area east of a line drawn from the Sungai Tampines, on the northern side, to Bedoh on the south.

Public Anxiety.
The public were somewhat anxious lest large stretches of the sea frontage would be required, as the Changi and Bedoh districts, though entirely agricultural inland, contain numerous bungalows along the beaches which are very popular for sea-side holidays.

The official notification has relieved that alarm to a great extent, however, as the only sea frontage to be taken is a stretch of less than a mile from the mouth of the Changi river to Fairy Point. This is a beautiful beach, and the owners of the bungalows on it, who include Mr. E. S. Manasseh, are unlucky, but the public will be relieved that the inroad upon Singapore's limited sea-side areas is no greater than that.

This block runs inland about half a mile, and includes 90 acres of Government forest reserve. There are also several parcels of Government land in the other acquisitions.

Two Blocks Off Changi Road.
The two other areas consist of rubber and coconut land, and are situated on the seaward side of the Changi Road but neither takes in the sea frontage. One area of 115 acres starts just short of 13th mile and is roughly half a mile long and deep. The last block contains 162 acres and is in the Bedoh district, the area starting from the 10th mile, but its seaward boundary is nowhere near the beach. The second block runs close to the beach, but leaves a strip of sea frontage.

There have been many rumours as to the strengthening of the garrison in Singapore in the future, and although no official statement has been made it seems reasonable to suppose that the garrison will not be limited to the one infantry battalion stationed at present, while it has always been known that the Royal Artillery and the Royal Engineers would pay careful attention to the eastern approaches to the naval base. — Straits Times.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Kobe, on Feb. 18, at 2.30 p.m., left that port on Feb. 19, at 4 a.m., and was due at Nagasaki yesterday, at 6 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Gambhir" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 18, p.m., and is due here on Feb. 26, at about 7 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benavon" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on March 2.

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WAGE INCREASES DEMANDED.

The details of the latest demands of the Merchant Service Guild of Australasia, on behalf of its members, which have now reached England are a surprising example on the wage difficulties that shipowners have to face in Australia. The new demands relate only to ship's officers. The increases demanded are between 25 and 50 per cent. on the already high scale of wage ruling in the Commonwealth. In addition, the demand is made for employment contracts to be on the basis of yearly notice instead of monthly notice.

Under the new scale of wages the salaries of shipmasters would range from 445 7s. 10d. to 2134 17s. 6d. per month, and of first officers from 233 9s. 2d. to 251 7s. 2d., with no deductions for food. Increases are demanded for other navigating and engineering officers to bring their wages up to a commensurate scale.

Comparison with wages current in England is difficult to make, but it can be taken that if the increases are brought about, ships' officers in Australia will be receiving something more than double what equivalent officers are earning in England. English wages are by no means low. Only, indeed, in the United States and Australia are higher wages paid. But the disparity with Australia is astounding. Able bodied seamen are paid £16 12s. a month in Australia, whereas the equivalent wage is only £9 a month on British ships.

A Fool's Paradise.
Of course, there is not the slightest doubt that the Australian Merchant Marine is living in a fool's paradise. These immense wages are killing the goose that lays the golden eggs. It is no secret that the Australian Commonwealth Line—the only important ocean line—cannot continue to carry on against such odds. Mr. Bruce has confessed that the Commonwealth Government is compelled to offer its fleet for sale on account of the labour difficulties.

I think it was some time last year that the Australian Commonwealth Line provoked an outcry by chartering British vessels and laying up its own ships in order to avoid paying wages on the impossible scale demanded in Australia.

This state of affairs has its reaction on British ships. It is only necessary to recall the unofficial strike of seamen in Australia a year ago, although it is fortunately obvious to seamen on British ships that if wages anything like the Australian scale were to be paid, the shipping industry would be out of business in a twinkling. The only way Australian ships are kept in existence is by allotting them an exclusive preserve in the coastal trade.

The present demands of the Merchant Service Guild are apparently being considered by the Commercial Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. What the outcome will be remains to be seen. It is possible, of course, that the present agitation, like not a few predecessors, is merely intended for advertisement in order to secure more members for the Guild. But it does illustrate the gravity of wage questions in the Dominion.

Some of the appendages to the wage demands illustrate another side of the labour problem. For example, not only is the demand made that employment contracts should run on the basis of 12 months' notice instead of the normal notice of one month, but it is also insisted that in the event of a shipowner giving employment to an officer who is not a member of the Guild a penalty, be imposed of five guineas, plus an equivalent sum to the annual membership fee. It is not stated if the "equivalent sum" will cover the subscription of the non-member for the 12 months in which he is working out his notice!

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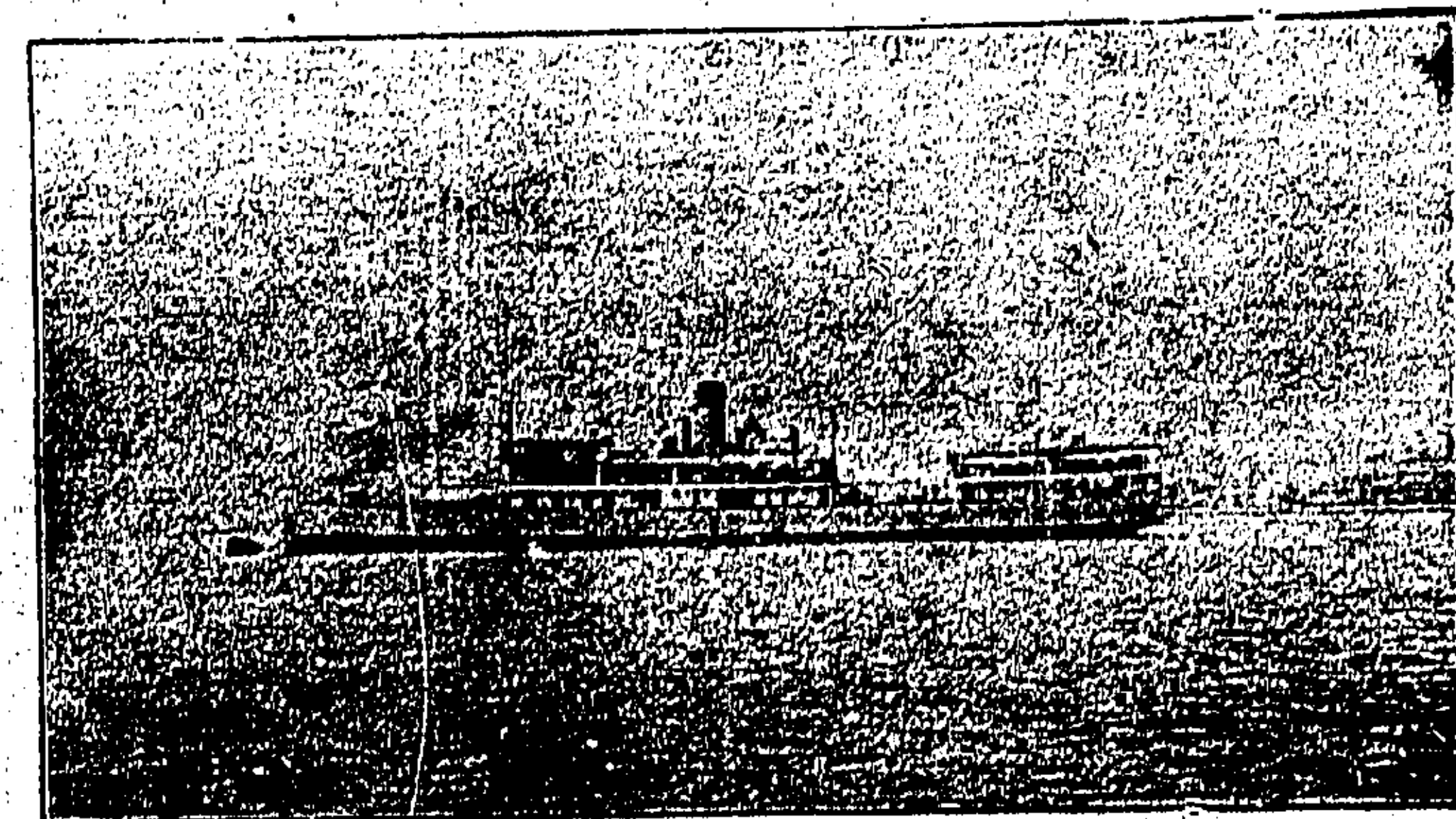
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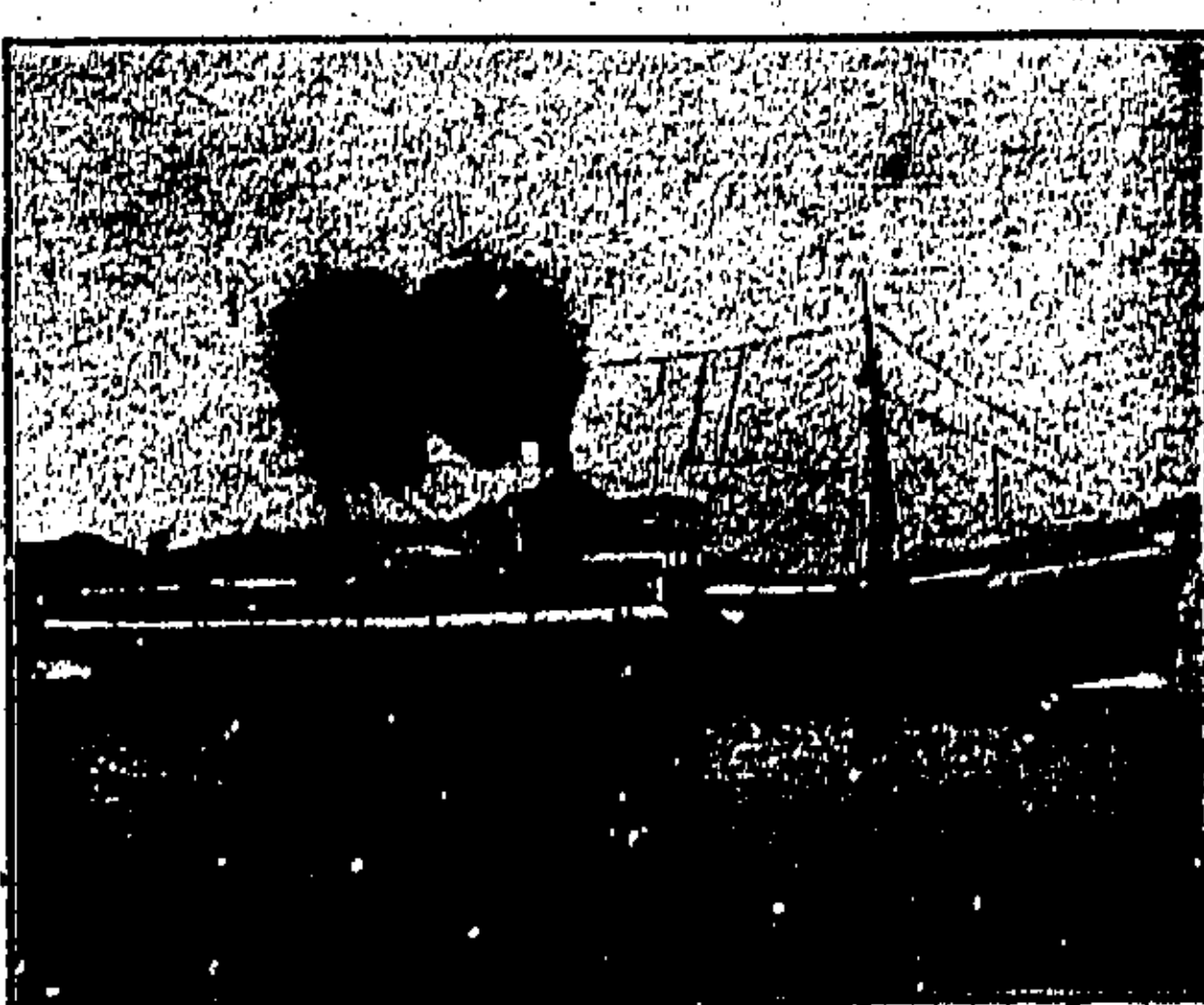
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DEATH.

TURNBULL.—Captain W. S. Turnbull, late of Douglas S.S. Co., on February 18, 1927, at the General Hospital, Singapore. Aged 49 years. (Scottish Papers please copy.)

Hong Kong, Monday, Feb. 21, 1927.

JUGGLING WITH FACTS.

In dealing with questions affecting Sino-British relations the "Canton Gazette" has ever been a stickler for publication of facts. It professes to be a great admirer of the truth, and has on occasion seen fit to deplore the pro-British bias in the Hong Kong newspapers.

What happens, however, when the "Canton Gazette" itself is presented with an opportunity for impartiality? It forthwith proceeds to run mentally amok, juggling with facts, and twisting reports in its desire to further the anti-Imperialistic campaign.

The recent arrest of three officials of the Chinese Seamen's Union on board the s.s. "President Taft," is a typical instance. Whilst the case was still sub judice our Canton-contemporary seized upon the incident as the pretext for another tirade against the "yoke of Imperialism."

It professed to be staggered by the accused seamen being detained in custody without the option of bail—heedless of the more tragic fact that the way in China is to behead seditionists and agitators without even a trial, and heedless of the deplorable fact that hundreds have been languishing in Chinese prisons for years vainly awaiting trial.

Had the Canton paper been possessed of patience it would have at least awaited a report of

the trial of the Chinese Seamen's Union's officials before writing about a "trumped up" case on the charge of sedition. Had it deferred comment until it heard the admissions of the accused men, it surely would never have rushed wildly into print with the threat that "unconditional release of the men is demanded—or Hong Kong will be taught another lesson."

The trial concluded on Friday, which gave time to the Canton paper to publish a telegraphic summary in its issue of Saturday in which it inveighed against the arrest and detention of the accused.

By this time our contemporary must have read reports of the trial. Does it still hold to its view of a "trumped up" charge? Does it still maintain that the pamphlets seized were not seditious when one of the articles therein was headed "Britain again resorts to massacres"? Moreover, will the Canton paper still maintain that the accused were not entitled to be detained in custody on such a serious charge, that they were not given a fair trial, and that the sentences were exceptionally lenient—two being merely bound over and the other being sent to jail for only three months?

Apparently it is a useless waste of time to reason with the "Canton Gazette." It opens its columns to inflammatory declarations, such as "the principal method of the British Imperialists is to instigate and murder our people." In short, it appears to be doing its utmost to stultify all the efforts that have been made in Hankow to reach a better understanding between the British and the Chinese.

CORRESPONDENCE.**DISCLAIMER.**

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")
Sir,—I shall be highly obliged if you will be good enough to publish the following in your esteemed paper.

There has been a rumour current in this Colony with regard to a certain Mr. Wong Yan, an Exchange Speculator, who got into difficulties over certain exchange transactions, and furthermore, Mr. Wong Yan is reported to have left Hong Kong for this reason.

As my name happens to be Wong Yan as well, and I have been called away on business for a couple of days last week, it is most detrimental to my business to allow this false rumour to be broadcast at random, and therefore I wish to repudiate and contradict most emphatically this scandalous rumour. Yours etc.
WONG YAN.
(Foo Loong Bank)

PRODUCE SHOW.**PROVISIONALLY FIXED FOR**
DEC. 3 & 4.**NEW TERRITORY EFFORT.**

The New Territories Agricultural Show will be held at Lady Ho Tung's experimental farm at Sheung Shui, according to the decision arrived at by the Committee which considered the matter on Saturday.

The Committee met at the farm which it was decided to utilise for the purpose, the Rev. H. R. Wells, Chairman of the Committee presiding. Other members present were: Lady Ho Tung, Messrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, L. Gibbs, J. P. Braga and Chinese representatives of various districts in the New Territories.

Mr. J. P. Braga was elected Hon. English Secretary and Mr. Ng Sing-chi, Hon. Chinese Secretary.

A memorandum by Lady Ho Tung with suggestions by the Government for the better development of the New Territory was laid before the Committee.

Tentative dates for a two-day Show were fixed for the 8th and 9th of December but these are liable to change.

Committees Appointed.

The following Committees were appointed:

Schedule and Exhibits Sub-Committee: Lady Ho Tung and Messrs. Gibbs, Green, Fung Kichauk and Tsui Po-ling.

Finance Sub-Committee: Messrs. Dowbiggin, Gibbs and Braga for the European section, and Messrs. Lei Chung-chong, Tang Fan-shan, Tang Pak-kan and Pang Lok-san for the Chinese section.

The Chinese Committee appointed to go into the matter of dividing the Territory into sections, allowing of 20 exhibits from each, consisted of the following:

Mr. Tang Yau-han, representing Kam Tin and Ping Shan districts; Mr. Yeung Cheuk-nam, Pat Heung district; and Mr. Lei Chung-chong, Fanling district.

The expenses of the show, it is estimated, will not be less than \$1,000 to \$1,500. As admission is only to be 20 cents for the first day and free for the second, the Committee rely on the generosity of the European and Chinese Chinese communities to help defray the cost.

Subscribers to the fund of \$1 each will be entitled to two tickets.

Lady Ho Tung's Advice.

The memorandum, by Lady Ho Tung, presented to the Committee, was as follows:

My interest in the agricultural development of the New Territory in order to prove its potential value to the Colony as a centre of production of food supplies to its inhabitants, led to experiments being carried out in the districts of Sheung Shui and Kam Tin now for a considerable time past. It has been established that almost all varieties of vegetables and several fruits, notably pineapples and papayas, can be successfully grown in the New Territory and that pig-breeding can be conducted as a profitable industry.

Whether vegetable cultivation by the farmers could be made to pay under normal conditions depends, in the first instance, upon the assistance obtainable from Government. It is not doubted that such assistance would be readily forthcoming, especially from the Governor, who has shown himself so thoroughly sympathetic to the farmers.

Farmers Handicapped.

My investigations into the agricultural conditions of Canton and the New Territory, have led to the conclusion that agriculturalists in the districts of the New Territory are greatly handicapped in the production of market produce and in the sale in the Hong Kong market. First, the deficient water supply and the irrigation system here are wholly inadequate, necessitating the employment of men labour for transporting water from long distance to the fields.

Secondly, fields in the New Territory are generally less fertile than those of Canton, which fact necessitates the application of greater quantities of manure and other fertilisers to the soil. I have sent samples of the soil of Sheung Shui for expert analysis, and the result shows that it is largely deficient in essential chemicals.

The artificial treatment of the soil is therefore one of the first requisites calling for consideration. The high railway tariff for transport of produce constitutes another handicap. Hong Kong farmers are thus in a position of disadvantage in competition with those outside the Colony.

During the disturbances of last year, production was greatly stimulated in the New Territories, on account of the fact that, there being no supply from Canton, prices rose to a very high level. As far as is known all farmers obtained satisfactory profits from their fields.

But since the restoration of normal conditions and with the resumption of free communication between Canton and Hong Kong, they have not been able to stand the competition and so production has gone back to what it was before. This goes to show that conditions being equal, New Territory farmers can be made to work their fields on an economically profitable basis.

Government Assistance.

In order that agriculture may better flourish in the New Territories, some definite measures should be adopted to do away with as much of its present disabilities as possible. It is suggested that Government assist in the improvement of the irrigation system and effect some reduction in railway tariffs, so that farmers may put their land to more intensive cultivation, especially in the high planes; they would then be in a better position to meet with the market demands in Hong Kong.

The advisability of a department for carrying out agricultural experiments and for studying the conditions of different soils and advising thereon, thus ascertaining their suitability for different vegetables, may also be usefully considered. Valuable advice will in this way be available to farmers. If an annual show could be held and prizes given for the best productions, people would be further encouraged to take a greater interest in the development of their farms in particular, and in the economic welfare of the New Territory in general.

Railway Rates.

Two suggestions contained in a letter addressed to the Committee by Mr. Chung Yun-nam, a village elder whose experience of the New Territory should be of immense value to the Committee, are worthy of consideration, namely, the installation of public telephones in the New Territories for reporting daily market prices of agricultural produce in the markets at Hong Kong, and the substantial reduction of the railway tariff for perishable goods transported.

FUNERAL.**MR. I. F. DA ROCHA LAID**
TO REST.

The funeral of Mr. I. F. da Rocha, who passed away on Saturday morning, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday evening, many friends and relatives attending.

The Rev. Father Page officiated. The chief mourners were: Mr. F. X. da Rocha (son), Messrs. J. M. da Rocha, A. G. da Rocha, A. J. C. da Rocha, V. C. da Rocha, C. B. da Rocha, R. M. Rocha, and L. Rocha.

Among those present were: J. P. Braga, Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto, Mr. E. J. Figueiredo, Mr. M. A. Figueiredo, Mr. F. M. Graca, J. O. Remedios, Mr. A. V. Barros, Mr. A. C. Botelho, Mr. J. de Brito, Mr. D. H. Cooper, Mr. J. M. Graca, Mr. C. M. Castro, Mr. C. A. Cunha, Mr. J. C. V. de Ribeiro, Mr. E. C. Kohler, Mr. E. Sousa, and many others.

Floral Tributes.
Mrs. Stella Maria da Rocha (widow), Mr. Francisco X. da Rocha (son), Mr. Neves and family, Captain and Mrs. Francisco X. da Rocha, Mr. Mrs. R. Innes, Mr. Pung Shiu-wa, Miss M. D. Kotewall, Mr. Leung Cho-u, Mr. Leung Po, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cunha, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Yau, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Remedios, Mr. A. Baptista and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Barros, Mr. E. A. da Silva and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. da Silva Rosario, Mrs. Palmira Maria da Silva Vaz and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. d'Azevedo, Mr. M. F. Osozorio, Mr. Carlos M. Castro, Mrs. L. G. Baptista Vieira, Mrs. Florinda, M. Leon, Mr. Carlos Maria Vieira, Mr. Luiz, M. Xavier, V. Santos, Mr. Lui Young, Mrs. Carolina da Cruz dos Remedios, Mrs. McKenzie and family, Mr. V. M. Xavier. The Swedish Trading Co., The Chinese staff of the Swedish Trading Co., Messrs. Joseph S. Lee & Co. and many others.

INDIA AND OPIUM.

London, Feb. 19.
Orders prohibiting further cultivation of the opium poppy in the province of Almeria have been issued by the Indian Government. The Government intends progressively and finally to extinguish the export of opium from India for non-medical purposes within ten years from 1925.

Export has been permitted only on Government certificates since last year, and a reduction of ten per cent. will be made this year. The last export will be made in 1925.—British Wireless Service.

CONCESSIONS.

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could not foresee that one wrong step, even a small one, might lead to consequences, the limits of which we could not possibly see. "Although we are meeting with a great deal of injustice and provocation, we had to keep our heads cool and in the end reason would prevail." The Government had no choice but to send troops to China after what had occurred at Hankow. He asked if anyone could guarantee that if the Cantonese following up their present victory there would not be the same trouble in Shanghai. Our forces would not be there to maintain out of date treaties and privileges. We only wanted to trade and could not afford to lose a market whereon not only profit but the very livelihood of tens of thousands in the textile industry depended.—Reuter.

Britain's Duty.

London, Feb. 18.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in the course of a letter to Mr. Hogbin, Conservative candidate at Stourbridge by-election, referring to China, says that it is the bounden duty of the Government to protect the lives and interests of British subjects and in the absence of a stable Government in China we were obliged to send ships with troops to China for that purpose.

The Socialist Party had taken every opportunity of misrepresenting our intentions not only in this country but by direct communication with one of the parties to the civil war now fighting in China.—Reuter.

Praise for Britain.

Paris, Feb. 19.

The "Echo de Paris" says that the defeat of General Sun Chuan-fang is a serious threat to Shanghai. It is fortunate that the British Government did not allow itself to be put off by long-winded discussions with Mr. Eugene Chen and sent effective reinforcements.

It is also fortunate that the French Government concentrated a force of Marines at the threatened point.

The military forces now in Shanghai are sufficient to protect the Settlement. Only disunion or cowardice on the part of the Powers can now deliver the place into the hands of the enemy.

The "Figaro" says that it would be a mistake to consider the Cantonese army as the only representative of Chinese Nationalism. It is satisfactory that sufficient troops have been sent to defend the foreign Settlement.

On the other hand the "People" urges recognition of the de facto Cantonese Government.—Reuter.

No News in London.

Rugby, Feb. 20.

London official quarters have not yet received confirmation of the Press reports that Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Chen have signed at Hankow a local agreement regarding the British Concessions at Hankow and Kiukiang.—British Wireless Service.

CANADA'S ENVOY.

Washington, Feb. 19.

The Hon. Mr. Charles Vincent Massey has handed his credentials as Envoy-Extraordinary and Minister-Plenipotentiary to President Coolidge. Mr. Massey delivered a "pledge of Canada's enduring friendship." He declared that the mission to Washington was established in the hope that it would strengthen the cordial sentiments existing between Canada and the United States.

President Coolidge replied that he thought that such sentiments would be markedly advanced by the opportunities for a mutual exchange of opinion offered by Mr. Massey's presence in Washington.—Reuter's American Service.

Washington, Feb. 20.
A most interesting precedent was set by the Canadian minister Mr. Massey, who, with the consent of the State Department, made public the text of his credentials. In a letter of credence addressed to the President, signed "Your good friend, George Rex, Imperator," he requests the president to give "entire credence to all the Hon. Mr. Massey may represent to you in our name, especially when he shall assure you of our esteem and regard and hearty wishes for the welfare and prosperity of the United States." And so we commend you to the protection of Almighty God.—Reuter's American Service.

TORNADO DISASTER.

New York, Feb. 20.

The tornado which swept Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, killed forty and injured one hundred people and damaged property to the extent of \$100,000.—Reuter's American Service.

SHANGHAI TROUBLE.

(Continued from page 1.)

to protect French lives and property, but to do his utmost to avoid conflict with either of the contending Chinese authorities, towards whom France maintains an attitude of strict neutrality.

Labour Union Demands.

Shanghai, Feb. 19. Significantly synchronising with Sun Chuan-fang's reverse at Chekiang, the General Labour Union last night called a general strike for to-day to enforce demands.

These demands, inter alia, call for the evacuation of Shanghai both by Sun Chuan-fang's troops and British troops.

This morning all employees of the Post Office struck, also the tramwaymen and bus men in the French Concession (hitherto the attempt to bring out the International Settlement tramway employees had failed) and cotton workers of all British mills and some Japanese.

The movement is developing. At present, the strikers number 40,000.—Reuter.

Pamphlets Circulated.

Shanghai, Later. Various appeals are being circulated to workers.

One of these reads: "The Northern Expeditionary Force (Southerners) are now victorious and the power of Sun Chuan-fang has come to an end. Therefore the time is opportune for the people to assist the movement against the militarists."

This leaflet contains a warning to strikers to maintain order. Latest reports from Chekiang state that the Northerners are retreating upon Sungkiang, looting en route.

General Sun has sent many appeals to Chang Tsung-chang, imploring his assistance, but up to the present there has been no response.—Reuter.

Pickets With Staves.

Shanghai, later. Postmen on strike and pickets with staves lined the entrance to the General Post Office this morning and attempted to prevent the indoor staff entering or working. Subsequently, the Postal Commissioner, who happens to be a Briton, decided to close the Post Office until Monday in order to prevent immediate trouble and confusion.

Later in the day the police took the staves from the strikers.

Four hundred mill strikers entered the British Cigarette Company's factory in the International Settlement, which employs a thousand workers, and attempted to intimidate the latter into striking.

As a precautionary measure, the management thought it wise to close down the factory for the time being.

Three of the biggest department stores in the centre of the International Settlement employing thousands of assistants, among whom there has been some trouble recently, have also closed down.

It is clear that the strike represents the long expected and well prepared "Cantonese Movement From Within," primarily for the purpose of disintegrating Sun Chuan-fang's power, and forces here.—Reuter.

Seamen's Strike.

Shanghai, later. The tramways in the International Settlement ceased running this afternoon.

A seamen's strike has also started.

In the French Concession the waterworks strike has caused a shortage in some districts.

All the British troops are confined to their quarters in case of eventualities.

The Shanghai Volunteers have been mobilised, although they have not concentrated.

The Special Police have been called out.

On account of the Post Office trouble the "Empress of Russia" sailed for Vancouver without mails.—Reuter.

Disorders Possible?

Rugby, Feb. 19. Although some reports state that Sun Chuan-fang is reorganising his defeated forces for a further stand around Kashing, others state that wounded and refugees are reaching Shanghai in a continuous stream.

The possibility of disorders arising from the entry of defeated and undisciplined soldiery is being carefully watched by the authorities in the International Concession, whilst the task of maintaining order in such circumstances might become extraordinarily difficult.

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Japanese Warships.

Tokyo, Feb. 19. The cruiser "Tenryu" and the destroyers "Hamakaze," "Isokaze," "Amatsukaze," and "Tokitokaze," have been ordered to leave Sasebo for Shanghai and are expected to sail to-morrow morning.—Reuter.

Refugees in Shanghai.

London, Feb. 18. Newspapers report that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's forces have now evacuated Hangchow, and that the Cantonese National troops are continuing their advance.

Refugees and wounded and stragglers from Marshal Sun's forces are arriving at Shanghai, where local opinion regards the presence of British and other foreign contingents as re-assuring safeguard against disorder in the International Settlement.—British Wireless Service.

Not Confirmed.

Chekiang, Feb. 19. A report is current that Hangchow has been taken by the Southerners and that Sun Chuan-fang is retiring with all his rolling stock.—Naval Wireless.

Another message from the same source stated that the report that the evacuation of Hangchow by Sun Chuan-fang has begun cannot be confirmed. It is expected that Sun will make his last stand at Kashing.

[Note: Hangchow is about 100 miles from Shanghai and Kashing about fifty miles.]

Troops Move.

A Naval Wireless message from the Yangtze stated that about 1,000 have left Hoichow for Yungshih in five steam launches. It is understood that the troops have been used against pirates in the Hoichow district.

Shanghai, Feb. 20.

As regards the military situation Sun Chuan-fang's troops are reported to have retreated to Kashing about fifty miles south-west of Shanghai. Between Kashing and Sungkiang, Sun is stated to have 40,000 men.—Reuter.

Specific Announcement.

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Chang and Wu.

Peking, Feb. 20.

Chang Tso-lin, in a lengthy telegram to Wu Pei-fu, urges him to clear the way for the Fengtien advance in Honan. "We have the same aim, namely, the suppression of Bolshevism, but your troops have steadily retreated. You have refused our assistance and yet are unable to regain ground, and have done nothing for six months. Bolshevists are simply allowed to do what they wanted and are not encouraging any resistance now. Chekiang is lost and Shanghai is in imminent danger. The public are criticising me for inactivity and should I take no action now it would eventually mean the destruction of the whole nation. Unless we enter Honan there is no way of advancing." He urges Wu Pei-fu to get rid of his disloyal lieutenants.—Reuter.

Changsha Boycott.

Changsha, Feb. 19. The seamen's strike has been settled, but the British boycott has been intensified. The Butterfield residence on the mainland has been broken into. The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has issued a proclamation demanding one month's advance rent from all British subjects. The latter have been advised not to pay in respect of the de-

mand. The Consul has been informed of the position. The seamen will not work for the British firms under any terms whatsoever.—Naval Wireless.

Fracas With Coolies.

Hankow, Feb. 17.

A British and an American naval officer were badly beaten in a fracas with a gang of coolies at Ichang yesterday, the incident occurring when the Jardine steamer "Kingwo" arrived at Ichang.

A crowd of wharf coolies made a disturbance and refused to allow the ship's cargo to be handled. A party from H.M.S. "Cockchafer" landed to deal with the situation and in the ensuing fracas an officer was injured in the face.

A number of coolies then got up a demonstration on shore opposite the "Cockchafer" and while this was progressing, Dr. Luten, of the American gunboat "Encano," went ashore in response to a call from the Hospital and was immediately set upon.

Dr. Luten escaped only after having been beaten and his uniform almost torn from his back.—Reuter.

[This was the incident in reference to which naval wireless messages briefly recorded the following:—The British s.s. "Kingwo" had to be cleared of coolies yesterday by an armed guard causing a certain amount of excitement on shore.]

DISARMAMENT.

JAPANESE AND THE AMERICAN PROPOSALS.

Tokyo, Feb. 20.

Japan's reply has been made accepting the American proposals for a disarmament conference, providing that it does not occur during the League of Nations preparatory conference. It consequently suggests that it be held after June 1.

Owing to the importance attached to the problem Japan considers it advisable to send a special delegate from Tokyo. The reply expresses pleasure that America does not intend to insist that the ratio shall be applied to auxiliaries.—Reuter.

Washington, Feb. 20. Japan's acceptance of the American proposal for a five Power supplemental naval conference at Geneva only stipulates that the date of the opening of the conference shall not be earlier than July 1 so that the delegation from Tokyo, with adequate instructions, will be able to reach Geneva to participate in the conference.

The note adds that it would be impossible for the Japanese representative to assist at the negotiations if they were held during or immediately after the session of the preparatory disarmament conference, due to open on March 23, and expresses gratification that the American Government does not intend at present to submit rigid proposals on the ratios of the naval strength to be maintained by the several Powers in classes of vessels not covered by the Washington Treaty.

"To ensure the success of the negotiations it is important that all parties approach the subject with an open mind, always guided by the defensive requirements of each nation."

Japan confidently hopes that a fair and satisfactory agreement will be reached conducive to the general peace and security of the world.—Reuter.

Japan's Reply.

Tokyo, Feb. 19. The Japanese reply to President Coolidge's disarmament proposals, it is understood, will be very brief, accepting them.—Reuter.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

FURTHER QUESTIONS BY MR. J. P. BRAGA.

SANITARY BOARD AGENDA.

Notice has been given by Mr. J. P. Braga that at to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board, he will ask the following questions:—

Case of Typhoid.

1.—With reference to the fatal European (British) case of typhoid, reported in the local newspapers of Feb. 14, and to other cases (also European), now happily convalescing, and in order to allay public apprehension, will the Medical Officer of Health please state whether, in his opinion, these cases, which have occurred among the European residents of Kowloon, may take the form of an incipient epidemic of this malignant disease?

2.—Has the source of infection in the cases mentioned in (1) been traced and, if so, what is it? If not, will the Medical Officer of Health be so kind as to explain, what, in his opinion, led to the disease being contracted by the patient who "unfortunately succumbed to the disease?"

Kowloon Market Gardens.

3.—Owing to the recurrence of typhoid cases, and so as to avert the danger of the dreaded disease spreading in an epidemic form, will the President cause instructions to be issued for the periodic and more frequent visits of Chinese market gardens in the outskirts of Old Kowloon by officers of the Sanitary Department with the object of (a) better supervision, being exercised over the supply of vegetables and other market produce cultivated with manure derived from human and animal sources; and (b) controlling the use of offensive matter for manurial purposes so as to reduce to a minimum the danger of disseminating communicable diseases in the event of an outbreak thereof?

4.—In the hypothetical, though not improbable, case of the discharge of a typhoid patient finding their way into the cesspool in Kowloon Tong (referred to in my questions on January 25 last) and the liquid manure sprayed over the vegetables in cultivation in the district, will the Medical Officer of Health please inform the Board whether such a source of infection would not be a real menace to the health of the residents of Kowloon Tong?

TRANSATLANTIC TELEPHONE.

London, Feb. 20.

The Anglo-American transatlantic telephone service has been now extended to the fourth American zone, comprising the states of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas. The charge is sixteen guineas for the first three minutes and 25. 12s. for each additional minute.—Reuter.

A lot of people read trashy literature because it is stimulating and a relief from the drab, dull monotony of life.—Dean Inge.

One of the most dangerous heresies regarding foreign exchange is the supposition that it was fundamentally dependent upon balance of trade.—Lord D'Abernon.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

February 21—Queen's Theatre: "The Marriage Clause."

February 21—World Theatre: "The Prairie Wife."

February 21—Star Theatre: "The Ten Commandments."

February 23 & 24—Theatre Royal, Dance display by Miss Violet Capella's pupils, 6.15 p.m.

February 25—St. Andrew's Young Men's Club hold first popular social, Church Hall, 8.30 p.m.

February 26—Dancing performance at Theatre Royal, by Miss V. Capella's pupils, 9.15 p.m.

February 26—Smoking concert for members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, 9 p.m.

March 2—Special race week dinner dance at Repulse Bay Hotel.

March 3—Annual "At Home" of U.S.R.C. Club's ground, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

March 12—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

February 21—Seventh meeting of Kowloon Residents' Assn., St. Andrew's Church Hall, 8 p.m.

February 23—Benevolent Society Meeting, City Hall, noon.

February 24—Fortieth meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's board room, noon.

February 25—Postponed meeting of Victoria Recreation Club takes place at 6 p.m. at the Club.

February 26—Annual meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, noon.

February 26—Eighth meeting of The Bank of East Asia Ltd., 10 Des Voeux Rd., Ctl., 3.30 p.m.

February 28—Extraordinary meeting of Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

March 4—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. Exchange Bldg., 11 a.m.

March 5—Thirty-eighth meeting of Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., P. & O. Building, 11 a.m.

March 7—Annual Meeting of Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's office, noon.

Lammerts' Auction.

February 25—At No. 4, Cox Rd., Kowloon, part of Mr. H. P. Winslow's valuable furniture and beautiful pot plants, 2.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

February 21—Public lecture at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

February 25—Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

February 26—Non-selling tickets on "The Hong Kong Derby" will be drawn in Hong Kong Club stand, Race Course, 3 p.m.

March 1—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Hotel Savoy, 7.45 p.m.

March 4—Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

March 10—Annual show of flowers and vegetables, Volunteer Headquarters.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Nagasaki yesterday, 7 a.m., left at 3 p.m., and is due at Shanghai to-day, at 5 p.m., leaves there to-morrow, at 12.30 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Nagasaki yesterday, at 7.30 p.m., left that port to-day, at 9 a.m., and is due at Kobe to-morrow, at 10 a.m.

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Furniture and plants in pots will be auctioned by Messrs. Lamport Bros. at 2.45 p.m. on Friday at No. 4, Cox Road, Kowloon.

The Hebridean island of St. Kilda is still awaiting its November mails. Enormous seas have prevented boats calling for three months. A trawler set out on January 9, but returned and reported that it was hopeless to attempt to call there.

Scotland Yard is completing a widespread organisation to stop the activities of criminals operating with motor-cars. Delivery has begun of a fleet of special motor-cars so that sectional flying squads in different parts of the London area can be called out within a few minutes of the alarm. Wireless will play an important part, it is understood, in the method of isolating districts and stopping all cars.

Egyptian Moslems will no longer be able to divorce their wives, in a fit of temper, by the simple process of saying, "I divorce thee," three times, in the presence of two witnesses, if the Government adopts the recommendations of the Special Commission investigating the marriage laws. A tightening of the marriage and divorce laws, and the prohibition of polygamy—except where a husband establishes his ability to provide for an additional wife—is recommended.

"The need for more temperate habits of life has never before been so urgent," writes Mr. Grenville Kleiser in the "Battle Creek Idea." "The general need is for less food, wisely selected and well masticated; for scrupulous personal cleanliness; for simple exercise, such as is afforded by leisurely walking, coupled with deep breathing; for regular sipping of water; for regular hours of sleep; for frequent periods of relaxation, and quiet meditation; for plain living and lofty thinking, not occasionally, but as an established daily regimen. These are some of the things which make for well being and longevity."

There was a Requiem Mass in the Roman Catholic Cathedral at 7.30 this morning for the late Bishop Pozzoni.

An international group of labour leaders has arrived in Canton to study the political situation, comprising Mr. Tom Mann (Britain), Mr. Browder (America), Mr. Roy (India), M. Doriot and M. Stoler (France).

Mr. H. K. Hung, a partner in Messrs. Deacons (solicitors), met with an accident last evening when returning from Macao. He missed his footing when leaving the steamer and fell into the harbour. Fortunately he was quickly rescued, and was none the worse for his immersion.

The lower level tramway service was suspended for nearly half an hour yesterday owing to the fusing of the overhead wires in Des Voeux Road, near Watson's. The short circuiting of the wires in this locality led to a display of "fireworks" which attracted a crowd of people. Repairs were effected quickly.

At yesterday's meeting of the Order of the Star in the East (at No. 7, Duddell Street), Mr. H. E. Laneputt gave an outline of the principles and work of the Theosophical World University, according to Professor J. E. M. Macdonald, M.A., LL.B., Director of the English Section of the Theosophical World University.

An ownerless brown terrier has for 24 hours been guarding the body of its playmate, a grey terrier, which staggered into a Brixton garden and died after being run over by a motor car. The little brown terrier fights anything approaching the body of its dead mate.

Lieutenant Goodbody, of the Tank Corps, was drowned at Quetta while out buck-shooting. When running across a frozen lake to replenish his cartridges from a brother-officer, he fell in, 15 yards from the bank, and was overcome by the cold, despite the efforts of two coolies to haul him out, with the aid of their puggarees and of Lieutenant Simpson, who plunged into the freezing water fully clothed.

A dislodged piece of rock falling from the demolition work in progress on Morrison Hill accounted for the death of a police yesterday morning.

A baby born of British parents in a British cross-Channel steamer, held up by fog at Boulogne, is declared to be a British subject. The baby is the son of Mrs. Canther, the wife of an official at the British Embassy in Paris.

"The belief that the sun gives light and warmth is a vulgar, childish error," said the Italian Professor Vincentini, speaking in Milan. The rays, he added, were warm and light-giving merely because they encountered the resistance of the terrestrial atmosphere.

Tortuous are the ways of Crown Colony Government! exclaims the "Straits Times." After months of silence, which, as we have previously stated, amounted to official impertinence, the public are now given a reason why the British film "The Only Way" was banned by the Censor and yet the American film "The Tale of Two Cities" allowed to be exhibited all over Malaya. The two films each purported to be founded on Charles Dickens' novel centred on the French Revolution in the days of the Terror. The presumption, therefore, was that they were in many respects similar. We are officially told, however, that the presumption was quite an incorrect one and that the two film versions are "entirely different." The American film was fit to be shown locally, the British film was unfit. How and where the two differed is not disclosed. If this official information had been accorded months ago a good deal of unpleasant criticism could have been avoided—and with advantage to everyone. Why should it have been necessary for an appeal to a force majeure, to wit the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order to learn of so simple an explanation of the censor's action? It is inexplicable.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Peter Wojta (a local silk merchant) and Mrs. Wong returned to Hong Kong to-day on the "President Jefferson" after a pleasure trip to Japan.

Mrs. B. A. Proulx, whose husband is a passenger representative of the Dollar and American Mail Lines at Shanghai, arrived in Hong Kong to-day on the "President Jefferson."

Professor Chau Shih-jen, of Sun Yat-sen University, Canton, was on a visit to Hong Kong during the last two days. Professor Chau addressed a large gathering of students at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Local residents left for Home on Saturday on the P. & O. s.s. "Kalyan" included Mr. R. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. A. White and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nicholas and Miss G. Nicholas, Mr. J. C. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. V. Petherick and Miss M. Ellis.

Mr. T. W. Ainsworth having returned to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Mr. W. Schofield has gone over to the Kowloon Magistracy, whilst Major C. Willson, T.D., O.B.E., has returned to the Bench in the Second Magistrate's Court at the Central Magistracy.

It will be noticed that the Gloucestershire Regiment wear two cap badges, one in front of their field service caps and a smaller one at the rear, remarks a Shanghai paper. On one of a series of cigarette cards by Messrs. Gallagher, Ltd., of Belfast and London, it is stated that this originated after the battle of Alexandria in 1801, when the regiment drove back the French cavalry, who attacked them in front and rear. In recognition of this feat, they wear a badge both on the front and back, a unique distinction.

Deaths announced at Home in mail week include: Mr. Arthur J. H. M. Brice, barrister-at-law and Recorder of Tewkesbury, aged 67. Mr. Brice travelled extensively during his earlier years, and wrote much on his special subjects; Mr. H. Percy Boulton, M.I.C.E., at his residence in Evelyn-mansions, S.W., aged 81, a past president of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers; Mr. Thomas Clayton, at his residence, The Cedars, Castle Bromwich, Birmingham, aged 69, a prominent figure in the public life of Warwickshire, and a county alderman; Edward Henry Rennie, Professor of Chemistry, Adelaide University, who graduated as Doctor of Science at London University in 1881 and taught occasionally in the Royal College of Science, South Kensington. He also assisted in the chemical department of St. Mary's Hospital Medical School.

The latest list of new members of the Overseas League includes Mr. Harold Graves and Mr. I. D. Willis, of Hong Kong.

Mrs. L. Franklin, Hong Kong, has been elected a non-resident Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute.

Mr. R. C. Morton, Oriental Director of the United States Shipping Board is once again in Hong Kong. He is passing through to Manila, from Shanghai, on the "President Jefferson."

Prince Henry, a Lieutenant in the 10th Royal Hussars, is among the successful candidates in the October Army examinations for promotion to captain, the results of which were announced in mail week.

Mr. G. H. Piercy, Mr. R. E. Toog, Mr. C. Encarnacao, Mr. S. B. Ellis, Mr. R. Grimshaw and Mr. A. M. Haimovitch were among the passengers on the "President Jefferson" which arrived in Hong Kong to-day from the North.

A Reuter cable from Copenhagen announces the death of Dr. Georges Brandes, the famous Danish litterateur. Dr. Brandes, who was 75 years old at the time of his death, wrote 32 volumes of history, literature and criticism.

Sir Charles Greenway, chairman of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, who was included in the New Year honours list, has chosen the title of Lord Greenway of Stanbridge Earls (Bossey, Hampshire) on his elevation to the peerage.

According to a Reuter message from Washington, the Senate has approved the nomination of Frederick Sterling, who is at present councillor to the Embassy in London, as the first American Minister to the Irish Free State.

The Earl Cadogan, whose affairs were investigated in the Bankruptcy Court during mail week, a bailiff subsequently installing himself at Culford Hall, Suffolk, where the countess was entertaining a shooting party, was on his way home from Colombo, when sudden illness necessitated his being landed at Port Said and taken to hospital. He is now recovering.

Mr. William Nightingall, of South Hatch, Epsom, Surrey, racehorse trainer, and formerly a well-known steeplechase jockey, who died on October 25 last, aged fifty-nine years, left estate of the gross value of £29,072, with net personality £15,281. Mr. Michael Tighe, of 2, Southcourt-road, Worthing, Sussex, steeplechase jockey, who was killed in a motor accident near Crawley, on December 15 last, and who died intestate, left £271.

Dr. Lai Chi-hai, the University Lecturer in Chinese, will be host at a dinner at Lee Garden to-morrow. H. E. the Governor will be the principal guest.

On his annual buying trip to the Far East, Mr. W. F. Barnes is in Hong Kong. He arrived to-day on the "President Jefferson" and represents a department store in Chicago.

Mr. Norris Miles is passing through Hong Kong, en route to Manila, on the "President Jefferson" to join the passenger department of the Dollar and American Mail Lines in Manila.

Examination of the baptism registers in London shows that since the Duchess of York had Princess Elizabeth christened, the name has been the most popular, hundreds of mothers following the Royal example. Joan is the second favourite.

Mr. Horace Lingard, the actor, who died at the Charterhouse, E.C., was in his 90th year. He had not been seen on the stage since 1920, when he toured in musical comedy. Mr. Lingard began acting 73 years ago at Bristol at a salary of 15s. a week. "You could live like a fighting cock on 15s. a week in those days," he often said. He was known to playgoers 30 or 40 years ago for his acting in "Faika," "Pepita," and other comic operas. He played First Grave Digger to Kean's Hamlet, went on the music-halls for years, played in the United States, and produced the first Messenger opera heard in Britain.

Through passengers to Manila on the "President Jefferson" (arrived in Hong Kong to-day from Shanghai and ports) included:—Mr. T. Ikeda (manager) and family, Mr. C. Abe (assistant manager) and family, of the M.B.K. Manila office; Mr. J. C. Edgar (a New York importer) and Mrs. Edgar; Mr. Hugh MacDougal (construction engineer, Franklin Baker Co., New Jersey); Mrs. Louise Riedel (wife of an American Naval officer); Mr. George Happer (Shanghai merchant) on a honeymoon tour with his bride; Mr. Charles Johnson, Mrs. J. F. Cook, Mrs. E. L. Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. George Weiderman, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hayward (all tourists); Mr. C. F. Halfhill (California fish packer) and Mrs. Halfhill; Mr. Elmer Madson (Pacific Commercial Co.); Mr. C. A. Slingerland (Remington Typewriter Co.); the Revs. L. Ramirez, A. Martinez, A. Delgado.

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SPORTS SECTION

MIGHTY FALL.

Sensations In the Home F.A. Cup.

TRADITION MAINTAINED.

How have the mighty fallen! Well was the tradition of the Cup maintained on Saturday when there were sensations to satisfy all who look for excitement in the Home F.A. competition.

Bolton, the holders, were knocked out on their own ground by Cardiff who have never won the elusive trophy but have achieved fame in post-war competitions. Burnley and Newcastle, the senior League stalwarts, both went out of the tournament as they failed to beat division 11 teams. But the giants were playing away.

The small fry certainly have it and it is now odds on the Cup going to a division 1 club. Of the eight to appear in the sixth round, two will be from the top circle (Arsenal and Cardiff), five from division 11 (Wolverhampton, Chelsea, Southampton, Reading and South Shields or Swansea) and Millwall from div. 11 (South).

The Wolves are the only ones to have won before.

In the Scottish Cup, 3rd round, Celtic (the holders) triumphed while playing away.

Principal football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:—

F.A. CUP.

Fifth Round.

Wolverhampton 1, Hull 0.
Chelsea 2, Bury 1.
Arsenal 2, Liverpool 0.
Bolton 0, Cardiff 2.
Southampton 2, Newcastle 1.
Millwall 3, Middlesbrough 2.
Reading 1, Brentford 0.
South Shields 2, Swansea 2.

SCOTTISH CUP.

Third Round.

East Fife 2, Dunfermline 0.
Dundee 2, Celtic 4.
Rangers 4, Hamilton 0.
Falkirk 3, Mid-Annandale 0.
Buckie Thistle 0, Bonness 3.
Alloa 0, Arthurlie 0.
Clyde 0, Partick 1.
Dundee United v. Montrose, postponed.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aston Villa 2, Manchester United 1.
Everton 1, Blackburn 0.
Lancaster 2, Huddersfield 4.
Wednesday 4, Sunderland 1.
Tottenham 1, Bury 0.
West Ham 1, West Bromwich 2.
Derby 1, Leeds 0.

Division II.

Barnsley 4, Clapton Orient 2.
Fulham 0, Grimsby 5.
Manchester City 1, Notts Forest 1.
Oldham 1, Blackpool 3.
Preston 4, Darlington 1.

Division III (South).

Charlton 0, Bristol City 1.
Coventry 3, Plymouth 3.
Crystal Palace 6, Newport 2.
Exeter 3, Northants 2.
Gillingham 0, Luton 0.
Merthyr 1, Brighton 0.
Queen's Park Rangers 1, Bourne-mouth 1.

Division III (North).

Aberdeen 0, Burrow 1.
Bradford 5, Chesterfield 0.
Doncaster 2, Wrexham 2.
Durham 1, Crewe 2.
Lincoln 3, Macclesfield 1.
Rochdale 3, Stockport 0.
Rotherham 5, Ashington 0.
Stoke 1, New Brighton 1.
Tranmere 2, Hartlepool 0.
Walsall 4, Nelson 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Airdrieonians 5, Queen's Park 0.
Motherwell 2, Hibernians 1.
St. Johnstone 4, Morton 0.
Hearts 1, Kilmarnock 1.

ANOTHER YACHT RACE.

London, Feb. 14. The British-American yachting cup committee opened its sessions here to-day with three American delegates present.

It was decided to hold an international race for six metre yachts in 1928.

In the last race of this kind Britain won. This was in 1925. —China Press.

SOCCER SHIELD.

SURPRISES IN FIRST ROUND.

HOLDERS GET THROUGH.

Intermittent rain, a slippery ground and a slimy ball were the principal causes of the downfall on Saturday of several aspirants for honours in the Hong Kong Football Association's shield ties.

Of perhaps most importance was the triumph of Kowloon, the holders for two years, over the smart Club de Recreo who had the advantage of playing before their own supporters.

Chinese Athletic were another team that defied the sticky turf and they were knocked out by the Police.

The Borderers put paid to the account of South China and the Hong Kong F.C. after having the lead, lost during extra time to the Gunners.

Some of the teams in the junior division were so engaged as they drew byes into the second round. Last year's defeated finalists, Recreo Reserves, also said goodbye to this season at the first time of asking. With the second round this Saturday, it may be possible to pick the ultimate winners for 1927.

SHIELD TIES.

Senior Division.

Club de Recreo 2, Kowloon F.C. 5.
R.A. Reserves 0, H.K.F.C. Reserves 2.
Chi Athletic 0, Police R.C. 1.
K.O.S.B. 1, 2 South China 0.
(after extra time).

Junior Division.

R.A. Reserves 0, H.K.F.C. Reserves 2.
Recreo Res. 0, Chi Athletic 4.
S. China Res. 0, Chi Athletic B. 3.

LEAGUE II.

Section "A."

St. Joseph's 0, K.F.C. Reserves 2.
K. O. S. B. Reserves v. University —not played.

Section "B."

South China "B" v. Kowloon F.C. —not played.

Recreo v. Kowloon.

At King's Park, Club de Recreo lost to Kowloon F.C. by 2 goals to 1.

The winners were valued for their victory as they adapted themselves to the sticky turf and kept their feet well while the speedy Recreo fopped about in the mud. Teams: Club de Recreo—Silva, T. Guterres, P. Xavier, C. F. Remedios, A. A. Remedios, H. C. Remedios, D. Xavier, Silva, Gomo, Rocha, Brown. Kowloon F.C.—Durand; Wheeler, Carville; McKelvie, Sims, Baldwin; Haynes, May, Orr, Tienan, Muir. Referee: S/Sgt. Gilbert, R.A.O.C.

Orr put Kowloon two goals up, but Rocha reduced the deficit for Recreo. Then a penalty was awarded and Wheeler made the score 3-1. May and Tienan increased the lead but, towards the end, Guterres scored again for the losers.

R.A. v. H.K.F.C.

Playing with a greasy ball Soekumpoo, Hong Kong F.C. went down to the Royal Artillery by 1 goal to 3. The winners were better triers. Teams:—

Hampson gave the Club the lead early on. In the second half Fuller equalised. Then 10 minutes extra each way was played. Routledge gave the Gunners the advantage and Fulford clinched the issue by making the score 3-1 from a penalty.

Athletic v. Police. Superior weight gained the day for the Police R.C. who scored one goal against Chinese Athletic on the H.K.F.C. ground. But that one goal was sufficient to carry them in the second round. Teams:—

Royal Artillery: Stanton; Trim, Blanchard; Easle, Fuller, Vickers; Ward, Routledge, Pulford, Maddocks, Sharland.

Hong Kong F.C.:—Rodger; Wallington, Howard; Linaker, McBride, Ralston; Alexander; Hamson, Bishop, Valentine, Key.

Post was entrusted with a pass by Noonan, after Hudson had drawn the Chinese defence and the first named made no mistake.

The Chinese spurted after the change of ends but were ineffective on the wet ground.

Borderers v. South China. By sheer hard work, the 2nd/Scottish Borderers triumphed over South China (on the Kowloon ground) by 2 goals to nil. Teams:—

Stock was the marksmen on both occasions when the South China citadel capitulated. Both goals came in the second half.

Among the Juniors.

Setting a good example to their seniors (but it proved futile), the H.K.F.C. Reserves beat the R.A. Reserves by 2-nil at Soekumpoo. Pile scored in the first half and White in the second for the civilians.

At King's Park, Chinese Athletic

beat Recreo Reserves by the odd goal in seven.

On the H.K.F.C. ground, Chinese

Athletic "B" beat South China Reserves by 2-nil, thus completing a junior double for the Athletic.

Continued at foot of next column.

"WHY I LOST"

PAUL BERLENBACH TGO.
MODEST.

NEW FIGHT ALIBI.

Los Angeles, Feb. 14. The defeat of Jack Dempsey by Gene Tunney was the biggest pugilistic upset of the season.

A close second was the decision Johnny Risko received over Paul Berlenbach, who was then light heavyweight champion of the world. Paul offers the most unusual alibi in the history of the ring.

"My modesty beat me in the Risko bout. The string that held up my trunks broke. I put both hands on my hips to keep them up."

"It taught me a lesson—to think more of my chin and less of the audience."—China Press.

NO CRICKET.

RAIN HOLDS UP ALL FIXTURES.

Although the weather cleared up sufficiently on Saturday morning, after the heavy rain of the previous few days, to hold out some hopes for cricket in the afternoon, the downpour ruined all prospects of the week-end fixtures being carried out.

Among the matches which had to be put off was the annual Hong Kong fixture between Taikoo and Wayfoong, which was to have been played on the Chinese Recreation Club ground at Causeway Bay.

Some of the Clubs which are very far behind with their League fixtures—especially in the senior division—will have to make arrangements to play off their postponed matches on week-days or Sundays if they do not desire to prolong the season until the end of April, when the tennis season will be in full swing.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon	6	5	1	0	15
Civil Service	8	4	3	1	15
Royal Navy	7	4	2	1	14
Indian R.C.	5	3	1	1	10
Hong Kong C.C.	6	2	3	1	9
Royal Artillery	4	2	2	2	8
University	7	1	2	4	5
R.O.S.B.	2	1	0	1	3
Chinese R.C.	6	1	0	5	3
Craigengower	8	1	0	5	3
Royal Engineers	3	0	0	3	0

Division II.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Indian R.C.	8	6	1	1	19
Police	8	5	1	2	16
University	8	4	2	2	14
Recreo	7	4	1	2	13
Kowloon	7	3	1	3	10
R.A.O.C.	7	3	0	4	9
Navy	8	3	0	5	9
Tamar	9	3	0	6	9
Civil Service	6	2	0	4	6
Hong Kong C.C.	6	1	0	5	3

ALL OF A SUDDEN.

London, Feb. 10. Charles Johns one of Great Britain's leading professional golfers, has been playing the game for 25 years without ever holding out in one. Then just recently, within a period of six weeks, he made three aces on his home course, Purley Downs. —China Press.

London, Feb. 14.—In the Canadian squash racquets championship match at Hamilton, Ontario, to-day, Captain Cazale (Britain) beat "Strawson and Knox (Buffalo)" beat Chapman of Canada.

Junior League.

In section "A" of division II, H.K. Football League, St. Joseph's College lost to Kowloon Reserves by 0-2.

The following games were not played:—section "A": University v. Borderers Reserves; section "B": Kowloon "B" v. South China "B."

JUNIOR SHIELD.

Second Round Matches Next Saturday.

The second round of the Junior Shield will be played (as drawn) this Saturday, the Club first named in the draw, having choice of ground.

Fixtures are as follows:—St. Joseph's College "A" v. Kowloon F.C. Reserves.

Mong Kong F.C. Reserves v. Chinese Athletic "B".

Chinese Athletic "A" v. St. Joseph's College "B".

St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club v. K.O.S.B. Reserves.

The pairings in the second round

of the senior division (according to the draw) are:—

Police R.C. v. Royal Artillery,

Kowloon F.C. v. K.O.S.B.

YACHT CLUB.

RESULT OF PRESENTED CUPS
RACES.

SATURDAY'S DETAILS.

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club races for Presented Cups (open to racing classes) were sailed on Saturday. The course was from the Club to Channel Rocks (port), East Rock buoy (starboard), Kowloon Rock (S), Lyman Beacon (S), finish at the Club (9.6 miles).

The trophies are presented by the boats winning the championship of the season in the respective classes, hence the names mentioned at the bottom of each table.

Won By 2 Seconds.

In the Handicap Class, "Diana" was the first yacht to finish but became last on handicap. "Dorothea" was fourth over the "home" line but with her allowance, she just beat "Colleen" (second to finish) by 2 seconds and thus wins the cup presented by "Rolla," the champion of the class.

The change was stupor in the combined (One Design and Class) class. "Alisa" was first back but she failed to save her time on "Thecla" (third to finish) and the latter wins.

"Boojum" won fairly comfortably in the Heyward Hays Class and the margin was sufficient for her to retain first place even on corrected time.

In the list of results below, the yachts are mentioned in actual order of finishing. The positions gained in the race are mentioned in brackets.

Handicap Class.

Yacht	Time	Corrected
Diana (5th)	4:21.57	4:20.21
Colleen (2nd)	4:22.42	4:14.42
La Linda (3rd)	4:22.59	4:15.47
Dorothea (1st)	4:24.15	4:14.40
Falcon (4th)	4:26.19	4:16.43

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Yacht	Time	Corrected
Alisa (2nd)	4:33.55	4:35.55
Halcyon (4th)	4:40.54	4:40.54
Thecla (1st)	4:45.07	4:43.07
Joan (3rd)	4:47.44	4:40.32

Heyward Hays Class.

Yacht	Time	Corrected
Boojum (1st)	4:43.58	4:43.58
Senlar (2nd)	4:47.10	4:47.10
Adanne (3rd)	4:47.53	4:47.53
Why Wonder? (5th)	4:54.31	4:54.31
Lola (4th)	4:55.16	4:48.62

Bluesoon Cup won by "Boojum."

SERVICE RACE.

Six boats took part in Saturday's sailing race for the Services. The course was—Cust Rock buoy (p), Channel Rocks (p). Result:—

TIMES

Yacht	Time	Corrected
E. C. Villar (1st)	3:48.22	3:48.22
P. O. Broomfield	3:57.34	3:49.18
Lt. Kennedy (3rd)	4:01.51	3:52.37
P. O. Fullbrook	4:02.28	3:54.12
L. S. Player (5th)	4:14.22	4:05.08

The boats in the race were—E. C. Villar, "Hermes" galley, P. O. Broomfield ("Frobisher" cutter), Lt. Kennedy ("Herald" cutter No. 1), L. S. Player ("Titan" cutter No. 1), M. Jones ("Herald" cutter).

YESTERDAY the cruisers of the Yacht Club were to have re-sailed their first championship race, the course being round Hong Kong Island (port), a distance of 24 miles.

The Committee had extended the time limit to 7:30 p.m. but unfortunately a dense fog and lack of wind prevented the race from being completed. It will be re-sailed on a date to be fixed later.

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PLENTY OF FOOD.

(Continued from Page 1.)

tation/Coldstream, Guards "and the 1st Battalion/the Devonshire Regiment.

The new rope factory in Kowloon, the leather factory, near Kowloon City, and Rennie's Mills, near Junk Bay, are also likely to be requisitioned for the purpose.

The Empress Hotel, the Marina Ground, the Diocesan School, Race Course (Happy Valley) and other places and buildings are also being held in reserve if needed.

The local Y.M.C.A. will probably open premises on both sides of the harbour providing reading, writing and tea rooms, etc., and a suitable godown has been secured in Peking Road for entertainment purposes.

An appeal for funds for this purpose will be made.

FANLING GOLF.

COMPETITIONS DURING THE WEEK-END.

LIST OF RESULTS.

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club competitions at Fanling during the week-end were:—

Junior Championship, semi-final, 18 holes, played on Saturday:—

W. J. Clerk beat A. O. Brown 4 up and 3 to play.

C. B. Robertson beat A. Sommerfelt 8 and 7.

Final, 36 holes, on Sunday, March 13.

Men's Foursomes.

Men's Foursomes Competition, 1st round concluded yesterday at Fanling:—

T. D. E. Pendered (3) and W. A. Butterfield (16) beat J. W. Franks (7) and F. J. de Rome (7), 4 and 2.

Lt. C. L. Robertson (8) and Surg. Comdr. G. B. Cockram (9) beat C. A. Peel (14) and D. H. Blake (12), 3 and 2.

C. L. Sandes (9) and E. L. Sim (18) beat J. H. Hearn (13) and F. H. Gilgiam (13), 6 and 5.

Lt. Christie (9) and D. J. Gilmore (14) beat J. Smith (11) and T. C. Monaghan (13), 1 up.

W. Ironside (—) and J. S. McLaren (—) beat Lt. R. Andrews (5) and N. L. Smith (7), 3 and 2.

T. Ramsay (44) and C. D. Lambert (18) beat G. P. Lammer (15) and F. M. Ellis (18), 2 and 1.

Capt. E. W. Morris (6) and D. G. Bruce (10) beat G. Finlayson (7) and Surg. Lt. Comdr. G. Aubrey (10), 2 and 1.

A. Leach (11) and C. C. Stark (4) beat A. D. Humphreys (11) and Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews (9), 1 up.

The second round was to be completed by Sunday, March 13; the semi-final by March 27, and the final by April 10. The winners of the first match meet the winners of the second match and so on, as shown by the above results.

Ladies v. Men.

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES

SHOES FOR THE WINTER SEASON.



There are so many new treatments in shoes that step smartly forth in the winter mode that it is difficult to stress any one feature as particularly unusual. To begin the day in the new shoes we find the high cut shoes standing foremost in popular appeal. They serve both sports and semi-dress occasions with equal smartness and are seen everywhere. There is no particular name to these new high cut shoes, for they vary in their practicability. There are some of them that appear on almost pump lasts, and are used for formal afternoon appearances, while the sturdy Oxford is also seen in the list of high-cut shoes.

To dress in harmony the brown shoes should be worn with the tweeds and sports fabrics, while blacks should be chosen for the more formal winter materials and furs.

In the semi-Oxford type there appears a smart shoe of three perforated bands to give chic to the tailored costume. It appears in both tan calf or black patent leather. The snakeskin, sabot shoe, also high cut—with bands of calf-skin in the new tawny tones—is very smart with its one broad band and leather heel. The saddle Oxford, of black suede with reptile trimming and Cuban heel is a favourite of the day and shares its appeal with the three-eyel Oxford alligator. Lizard in brown appears in unusual applications on a brown kid walking shoe possessing odd arrangements of the straps. There are all sorts of combinations and cuts in these Oxford types of shoes. They are either cut high above the instep or possess straps numbering from one to three.

In the more formal shoes the Oxford does not disappear, but is seen in more complicated versions. It combines pump and Oxford qualities with great success. The low cut Oxford in black satin for late afternoon wear combines itself smartly with a moire back. Another treatment of originality is seen in Oxford-pump shoes of black suede or patent leather with a saddle or grey-beige water snake for a distinctive contrast.

The high cut pump lends itself to various daytime treatments and is smart when combining leather and reptile. Kids with lighter shade kid pipings are seen in rather high cut pumps, in the new season, too.

The strapped sandals again appear for occasions that demand a lighter and more delicate line. Brown kid with lighter lizard with a tiny buckle that lies perfectly flat also is seen in the one strap pump. Slender straps of patent leather, too, are seen worked in

criss-cross design on black suede or kid pumps. A new arrangement in the sandal type of shoe is seen in the black patent leather models with fine gold straps that button on both sides.

In the evening the mode varies and very ornate slippers appear. The heels loom most brilliant, as they are frequently made to match the buckle or band of brilliant at the front of the shoe or match the jewelled gown that is so much in vogue. Many smartly dressed women buy their heels separately and have them added to the slipper to harmonize perfectly with the formal gown.

Metal lames, gilded and silvered leathers, silk fabrics, silk and metal materials all appear at night. Satin or plain kid slippers for the simple type of evening gown is selected, while the very elaborate evening gown demands a very elaborate slipper. Straps are used only a pump appears with equal smartness in the evening. The decorations frequently "make" the evening slippers.

Dorothy MacKail, who is seen in First National's film, "Just Another Blonde," chooses her shoes with an eye to the appropriateness of the footwear.

WOMEN'S NEXT STEP.

Dressmaker Phophecy on Trousers.

London, Jan. 17.

"Women have reached the limit as regards short skirts. They cannot decently show more leg, therefore it seems that the only alternative is to clothe their legs in trousers. One thing is certain. They never will return to long skirts," stated a leading West End dressmaker to-day, when supporting M. Paul Poirat's prediction that women 30 years hence will be trouser-wearing while skirts will be as obsolete as long hair is to-day.

Baroness de Stocedel, the Court dressmaker, says: "Women are becoming more masculine daily. See how they have adopted pyjamas." On the other side, Lady Poynter considers that skirts will last another century. When the women might return to trailing draperies. Personally, I imagine that trousers must be terribly draughty.

SHINGLE TO GO.

Queen's Edict The Last Nail.

London.—The semi-shingle will be the fashion for the 1927 courts. The "Weekly Dispatch" says that the Queen's dislike of closely shingled heads put the last nail in the coffin of severe cuts.

Debutantes-to-be will now cultivate the new style, allowing the hair to grow about six inches below the neck. The ends are then dressed in buckled ornamental sausage curls and roze plaits.

The "Weekly Dispatch" Madrid correspondent says that, acting on the Vatican's request, the Queen of Spain has ordered that from Easter Sunday Court ladies attending high mass at the palace church shall wear high collars, sleeves to the wrist, and long skirts.

YOU'LL BE BALD!

Bobbed, shingled and Eton-cropped women run the risk of their hair going thin when they wear ill-chosen and tight-fitting cloche hats, says Mr. J. H. Browne, Pastmaster of the Guild of Hairdressers and Perfumers.

The most harmful things, he adds, are lack of ventilation and interference with circulation, which prevent blood feeding the roots, resulting in an inadequate supply of natural grease and colouring matter.

Hats which fit tightly on the forehead and scalp should not be worn. Velour and cloth hats allow the necessary ventilation, but diskin, American cloth and imitation leather are most harmful and should be avoided.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT the metals continue their successful run on the stage of fashion? Gold is good and so is silver, but better than either is silver and gold in combination.

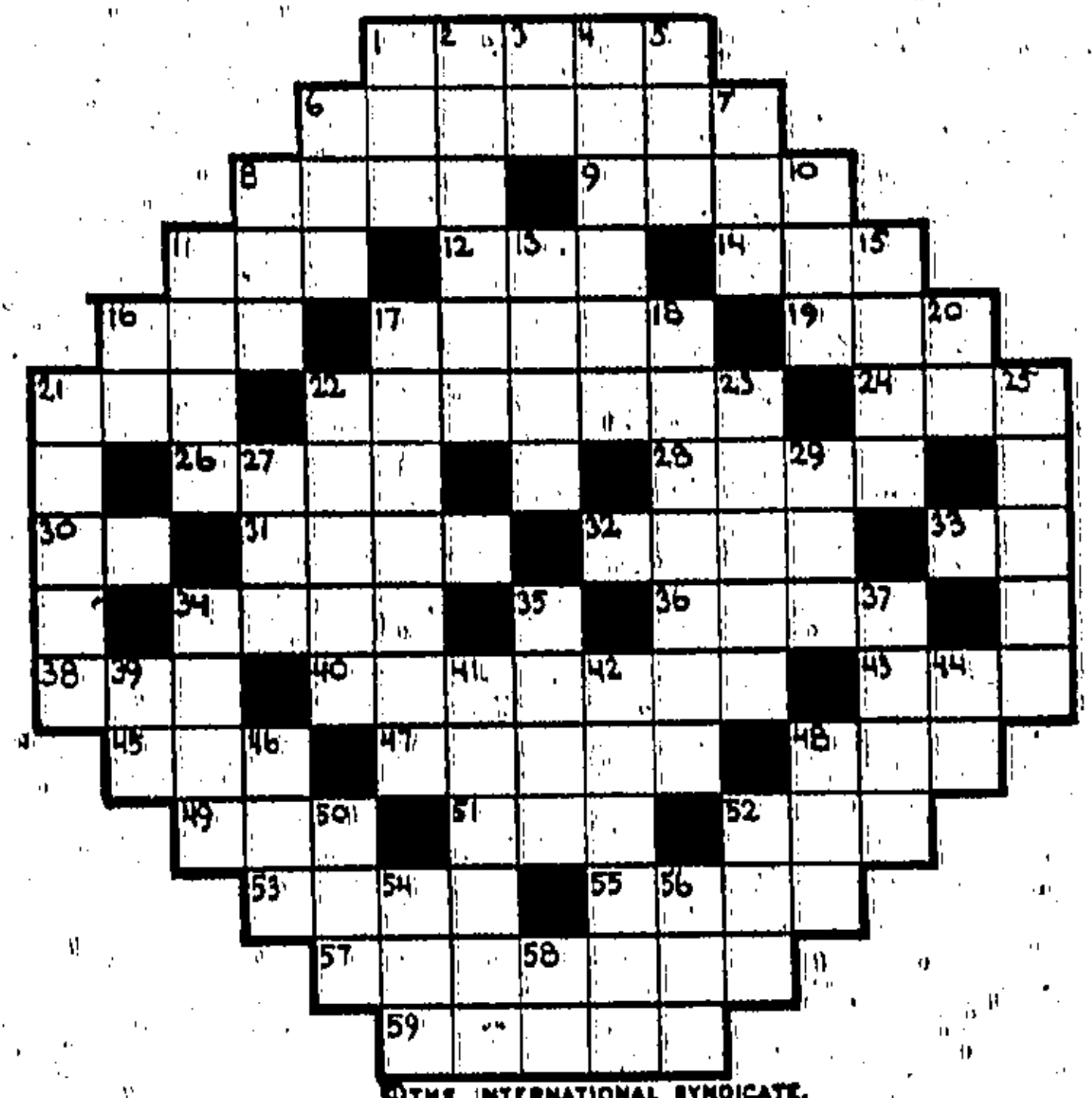
THAT fur is being mentioned as a trimming for hats and a fabric for handbags? Flat furs are stencilled, catfakin bags are chic, and leather bags have bands of fur.

THAT the felt hat is by all odds the most popular one in the millinery mode? The new felts are so supple that they can be shirred, and come of the formal models employ this material.

THAT fashion's conservatories are making much of the orchid, especially for evening wear? It is the aristocrat of nature's garden, and seems to belong to the new elegance.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, photo, and altho.)



THE INTERNATIONAL SYNDICATE.

HORIZONTAL

1—The skin on the

head

6—Fatigued

8—Shrewd

9—Part of the finger

11—Invites

12—To put on

14—A light chaise

15—Pale

17—Wanderer

19—Poker term

21—To wager

22—Scolded

24—Despoil

26—Stringed instrument

28—A wind instrument

30—While

31—Dirt

32—Row

33—A parent

34—Conjunction

36—Tidings

38—Scheduled to arrive

40—Appointed as an

agent

42—Cover

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45—The juice of plants

47—Harbored dressed with

vinegar, etc.

48—Destiny

49—A chart

51—A number

52—Fries

53—Fury

55—Expand

57—Trotted on the

knee, as a child

59—Horse

VERTICAL (Cont.)

16—You and

17—Complains

18—Ladylike

20—Toward

21—To mark with a hot

iron

22—Wide

23—Ate a meal

25—Mild

27—The residue of fuel

29—Not many

34—A pair of horses

35—Bedroom slipper

37—Deliberate

38—Wa

41—Obvious

42—To intertwine

43—A small singing bird

44—Pronoun

46—Equality

48—Depressed

50—A cushion

52—A wand

54—Motor fuel

56—A color

58—Prefix meaning

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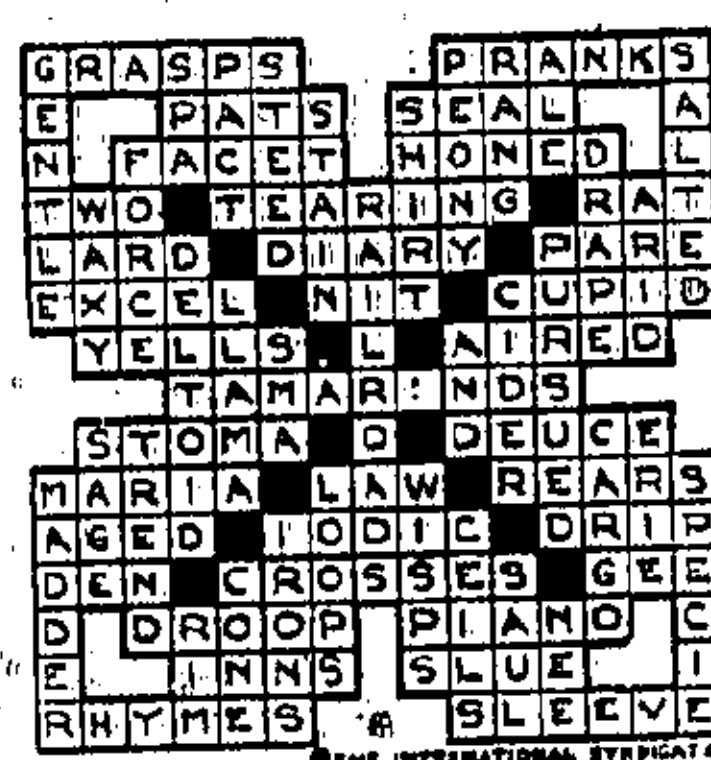
LIKE PIRATES.

Millinery fashions for 1927 strike a buccaneering note.

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

The Atlantic Fleet sailed from Portland for Spanish ports.

At Newcastle a Northumberland branch of the National Playing Fields Association was formed.

Thieves stole several articles from a Hull street police-box while the constable on duty was temporarily absent.

Two steamers have left Yarmouth with more than 10,000 barrels of herrings for Murmansk, North Russia.

Mr. James Addison and Mr. Bakshi Tek Chand have been appointed Puisne Judges of the High Court of Judicature at Lahore.

Glasgow University students' charities carnival realised the record total of £14,300, of which fully £10,000 was collected on the Saturday.

Four Whitstable boys bound over at Canterbury for breaking into a store were ordered not to enter cinemas during the probation period.

Wet fish and shellfish of British taking landed in England and Wales last year was worth £13,196,283, compared with £14,710,110 for 1925.

Homesick after 40 years in England, William Bullock, aged 66, a Sioux Indian, is being repatriated to South Dakota by the United States Government.

A seagull bearing on an aluminium ring K4589 and a Danish address marked in Denmark in July last, was found on Breydon Water, Yarmouth.

John Simcoe, aged 53, of Olney, Buckinghamshire, who was found drowned in the River Ouse was a former Bedford and East Midland Rugby half-back.

The Prince of Wales went to Cardiff to see the Rugby match between Scotland and Wales on February 5, and remained on for the Welsh Guards' dinner in the evening.

The Governor-General of Canada and Lady Willingdon paid a four days' official visit to Montreal, where they were presented with an address of welcome by the mayor.

"Why should magistrates who are moneylenders call themselves financiers and bookies call themselves commission agents?"—Judge Sir Alfred Tobin at Westminster County Court.

Before the first civic meeting of the New Year, the City of London Corporation, for the first time in its history, attended service in the church of St. Lawrence Jewry, next to the Guild-hall.

The United States Senate has refused to ratify the Lausanne Treaty (the Treaty of Peace with Turkey after the war), the voting being on the clause for the resumption of diplomatic relations.

The Spanish Government has issued a communication on the Tangier question stating that, it recognises the value of French collaboration and desires an amicable solution of the problem.

Difficulties having arisen at Blyth owing to a danger of stopping harbour traffic there, the Tyne Commissioners have agreed that H.M.S. "Thunderer" can come to the Tyne for breaking-up purposes if required.

Owing to the prevalence of infectious illness in the neighbourhood, patients in Guy's Hospital, St. Thomas Street, Borough, S.E., will be permitted on visiting days to have only two visitors, who must have special permits.

Barnes Urban District Council allege non-compliance with the Standing Orders of Parliament in the Bill promoted by the London and Home Counties Electricity Authority for power to construct a big power station at Chiswick; and the matter will come before the examiners of Private Bills at the Houses of Parliament.

Resisting the Post Office workers' wage claim before the Civil Service Industrial Court, Mr. E. Raven, for the Postmaster-General, argued that at certain points, at any rate, the Post Office scales yielded rates in excess of the prevailing level in outside industry. A counter-claim was made by the Postmaster-General for a reduction of scales in respect of new entrants to certain classes, the opinion being expressed that the present rates of pay were excessive for juveniles and adolescents.

For the first time divorce actions were heard at Carlisle Assizes, when eight undefended cases were disposed of.

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Women's clothing valued at between \$300 and \$400 was stolen from the premises of the Officers' Families Industries, Beauchamp Place, Brompton Road, S.W.

Mr. Matthew and Mr. Mark Gunn, the nonagenarian brothers of Brighton who celebrated their 94th birthday, received a message of congratulation from the King.

Mr. Alfred Clark, aged 79, of Canadian Avenue, Catford, S.E., collapsed in Catford Wesleyan Church before the service began and died shortly afterwards in the vestry.

During a football match near Eltham Road, Eltham, S.E., George Burt, aged 31, of Camberwell, fell, after what appeared to be a collision with another player, and died.

Six 25-seater flying-boats, with British engines now being constructed for the German Lufthansa Company are to be employed this spring in a new above-water air line between Hamburg and Iceland.

The output of the coal mines of Great Britain for the week ended January 8, was 6,025,300 tons, and the wage-earners numbered 966,700, compared with 3,884,200 tons and 962,400 workers in the previous week.

Only by a telephone call and the arrival of the Fire Brigade were the occupants of the Crown Hotel, Walton-on-Thames, made aware that a fire, which destroyed two garages and a motor-car, had broken out in a garage a few feet from the hotel.

Major-General H. Isaacs, who commanded the Delhi Independent Brigade Area in 1925 and Kohat district from 1925, has been appointed to command the 55th (1st London) Division, Territorial Army, vice Major-General C. P. T. Feilding.

While Mr. C. W. Hale, secretary of the Surrey Federation of Trades' Council and Labour Parties, was attending a Labour conference at Mitcham, Surrey, his house in Graham Avenue was broken into and robbed, but nothing of great value was taken.

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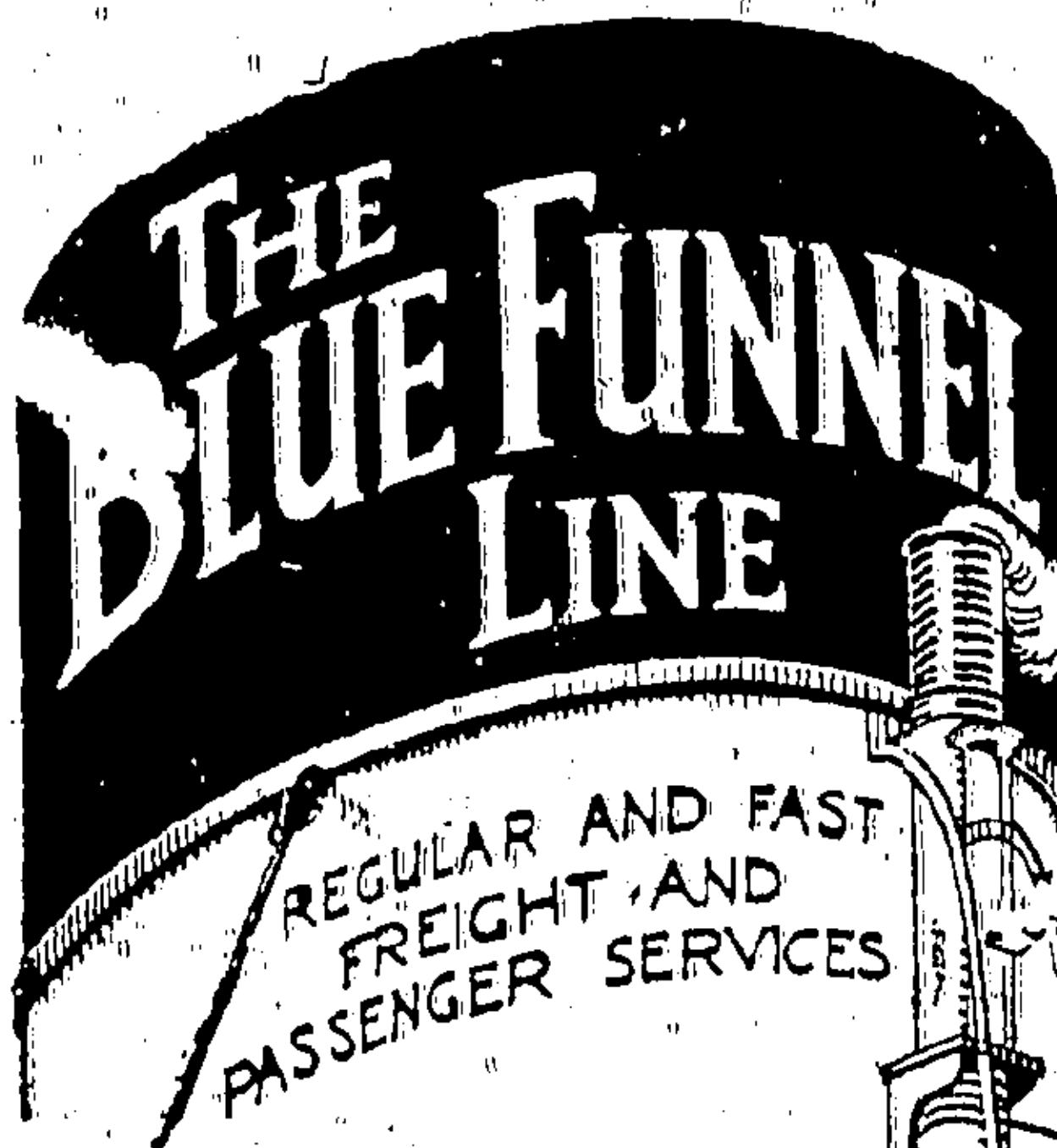


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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27		
Manila	Pres. Jefferson.	
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	President Wilson.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln.	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Saigon	Bourbon	3.30 p.m.
Samahai & Wuchow	Sanning	4 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Hosang	5 p.m.
Bangkok	Kingyuan	5 p.m.
*Straits & Calcutta	Parcels 5 p.m.	
Letters (22nd) 9 a.m.	Talma.	
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22		
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Kaijo Maru	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco 21st March & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only). Registration 9.45 a.m., Letters 10.30 a.m.	Shiyo Maru.	
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 24th March. Registration 1.45 p.m., Letters 2.30 p.m.	Demodocus.	
U.S.A., Canada, Central & South America & Europe via San Francisco 18th March. Parcels. Noon. Registration 2.45 p.m., Letters 3.30 p.m.	West Elcanon.	5 p.m.
Amoy	Soochow	5 p.m.
Straits	Gleniffer	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius & South Africa	Panama Maru	8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 7th March. Registration 8.45 a.m., Letters 9.30 a.m.	Mishima Maru.	11.30 a.m.
Swatow & Amoy	Van Hentst	11.30 a.m.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24		
Batavia	Tjikurang	10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25		
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Hai Hong	Noon

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

HUGE SEAS.

China-Bound Destroyers Buffeted.

UNDERSEA UPHEAVALS.

Cairo, Feb. 20. The earthquake in Herzegovina and Dalmatia apparently extended so far to sea that ships after passing the Straits of Messina encountered convulsive seas, clearly indicating undersea upheavals.
The destroyers going to China had anxiously to negotiate tempestuous seas which were constantly sweeping the decks. Huge waves were clashing from opposite directions. A large passenger liner standing high out of the water had her top decks swept, partially carrying away the bulwarks. At the same time there were very heavy seas off the Egyptian coast. The liner "Adriatic" was forced to remain outside Alexandria storm-tossed for two days before she was able to enter port, while the cruiser "Dauntless" entering Port Said on Feb. 15 was so heavily swept that the sailors below hurried to the deck owing to the rush of water.—Reuter.

Terrible Scenes Ashore.

A Vienna cable dated Feb. 15 stated:
Deaths are estimated at several hundreds, due to the collapse of a thousand houses in Bosnia, Herzegovina and Dalmatia. There has been heavy destruction in Ragusa, Cattaro, Spalato and Mostar. The population is panic-stricken. There were very terrible scenes at Popovopolje where a row of houses was precipitated down the mountain side and the inhabitants perished in the ruins. The centre of the disturbance is apparently under sea, and it is throwing up large waves which are compelling Dalmatian coast dwellers to flee inland.

NEUTRALITY LAWS.

REBEL ACTIVITIES AGAINST MEXICO.

THIRTEEN CONVICTIONS.

Los Angeles Feb. 20. General Enrique Estrada and twelve of his followers, who were arrested on August 15 on a charge of attempting an armed invasion of Northern Mexico from the United States, have been convicted of violating the United States neutrality laws by engaging in revolutionary activities against Mexico.—Reuter's American Service.

AVIATION.

TWO FLIGHTS TO SOUTH AMERICA.

Rome, Feb. 20. The Marquis de Pinedo, the Italian aviator who is flying to Brazil, was unable to take off from Porto Praia, yesterday evening owing to the machine being overweighted.
The Uruguayan aviator Ibarra-bordes has left for Malaga on the first stage of an attempt to fly to South America.—Reuter.

WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH AND AMERICAN NEGOTIATIONS.

Paris, Feb. 20. The "Echo de Paris" confirms M. Poincare's intention to begin negotiations with Washington with a view to settling the payment of the two first annuities provided in the Mellon-Berenger agreement. The paper adds that M. Poincare will doubtless ask the United States Government if it is disposed to accept temporary payments similar to those agreed with Mr. Churchill, and without prejudicing ratifications of the agreement, which will be taken up later. It is believed, despite the effect produced at White House by France's refusal to participate in the proposed naval disarmament conference, that President Coolidge and his collaborators will ultimately accept M. Poincare's proposal.—Reuter.

MAN WITH MASK.

LOCAL HIGHWAY ROBBERY "INGREDIENTS."

HAIRD LIP, GOLD TOOTH.

Evidence concerning a man with a mask, a haired lip and a gold tooth figured in a Criminal Sessions case before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill this morning.
The case in question concerned a pork hawk who was walking in the direction of Tsim Tsan Wan on January 28, and who was struck by a stone, thrown by "a man with a mask," by whom he was pursued.
Dropping his two baskets, the hawk ran for his life but was eventually overtaken by the hooded robber who had taken possession of a butcher's knife he had found in the forsaken baskets.
The hawk was robbed of over \$13 and in the course of the robbery he states that through the large eyelet holes in the mask he was able to see that the robber had a haired lip and a gold tooth.
On reporting the matter to the police the latter got into touch with a man in the neighbourhood answering his description and arrested him. The man made a statement amounting to a confession but had later stated that this had been forced from him.
At the Sessions this morning, he pleaded not guilty.
Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith is prosecuting for the Crown.

\$5 FOR \$70.

WHEN A PAWN BROKER LOSES.

A JUDGE'S CENSURE.

For complicity in a robbery in Temple Street, Yaumati, a Chinese was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Criminal Sessions this morning.
It was stated that the man obtained access to a house on the pretext of selling firewood and then threatened the inmates with a knife.
It was also stated, in mitigation, that he had helped police find certain articles of stolen jewellery after arrest.
The pawnbrokers who had the articles in question were questioned by His Honour as to a description of the stolen property circulated by the Police.
After sentencing the prisoner, His Honour addressed them and said that whilst there did not seem to be evidence of anything except carelessness, the pawnshop proprietors must have understood that the man who brought the rings had no right to them.
The case would be met, if the owner of the rings paid them \$5 each for them (the pawnbrokers had advanced about \$70 on each). They must be prepared to accept a certain amount of risk attendant on their profession.

JUDGE'S THANKS.

HELP IN PURSUING ROBBER.

SENTENCE ON BAG-SNATCHER.

In sentencing a bag-snatcher to two years' imprisonment, and 18 strokes of the birch at the Criminal Sessions this morning, Mr. J. H. B. Nihill commended Eric Fleming and Mr. Kerrison who had pursued the man and enabled the police to effect his arrest.
The case concerned the throwing of pepper in the eyes of Mrs. Mayer in Kowloon on January 5 and the snatching of her bag.
The lad, Fleming, who had observed the assault gave chase and Mr. Kerrison, who was in a barbers shop in Nathan Road at the time, was informed by him where the robber had gone. They both gave chase and Mr. Kerrison caught the man in Bowring Street.

ENGINEERS' DINNER.

GOVERNOR INVITED ON MARCH 11.

The annual Dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong will take place in the Rooms on Friday, the 11th March, 1927, at 8 p.m.
His Excellency The Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., our Hon. President, has intimated his intention of being present.

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"GREAT CREDIT."

Sir J. Kemp and Police Action.

GINDRINKERS' BAY AFFAIR.

The Gindrunkers' Bay affray of December 3 figured at the Criminal Sessions this morning, four men being charged before Mr. Justice Wood, acting Chief Justice, on four counts including attempts to rob, kidnap and (in the case of one) possession of a dagger.
The case is that in which the Police had received information of a planned attack on the Wah Loon distillery there and an attempt to kidnap the proprietor.
Prosecuting for the Crown, Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., outlined the facts, stating that they reflected great credit on the Police both in regard to their anticipation of the event and their conduct in the face of grave risks. One of their party had had bullet holes scored through his hat and Sub-Inspector Andrew had had two shots discharged full at him from a few feet.

"Patter of Bare Feet."

The arrival of the police at the distillery and the posting of the party, the "patter of bare feet on the stairs" as a party of men landed from a junk and came up the pier, the rush back to his hiding place by Sgt. Goodwin (one of the police party) and the surprise of the robbers by the Police, were detailed.

The leading man fired two shots at Sub-Inspector Andrew but fortunately for him although the detonator worked the charge did not. Sub-Inspector Andrew returned the fire and the leader staggered back through the doorway. In the meantime Sgt. Goodwin had tackled the second man of the party who attacked him with a dagger. Both this man and the one shot by Sub-Inspector Andrew were mortally wounded.

The Attorney-General described the running fire kept up between the parties as the robbers retreated towards the pier. The junk in which they came had put off on its occupants' hearing firing. One man of the five or six that landed got away by jumping into the water and swimming. The first prisoner was one of the party who landed and was wounded.

The other three prisoners were found on the junk which was chased by a Police launch. They had their possession bags and coils of wire.

The first prisoner had made a statement stating that the robbers forced him to accompany them and threatened him and the others also made similar statements.

The Attorney-General pointed to the extreme improbability of the robbers forcing unwilling men into the junk which was their only means of escape.

The case is continuing.

137 TIMES.

BEGGER WHO ALWAYS COMES BACK.

That begging is more profitable than hawking was the opinion expressed by Det. Sgt. Nolloth in Major Wilson's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, when charging a Chinese with begging.

Continuing, Sgt. Nolloth said that the man in Court has been sent away from the Colony upon no fewer than 137 occasions, whilst he had actually been charged in Court seventeen times. His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 with the alternative of seven days' hard labour.

AMERICAN WIRELESS.

Washington, Feb. 20. Congress has passed a bill, which is being sent to the President for approval during the coming week, of which the object is to prevent any wireless interest obtaining a monopoly. It provides for the establishment of a Federal Wireless Commission, which, it is hoped, will straighten the present chaotic condition of wireless in American.—Reuter's American Service.

FINER LATER.

"North winds, fresh; overcast at first, finer later" is the weather forecast for to-morrow.

A case of diphtheria (British imported) was reported to the medical officer of Health during the 48 hours ended on Saturday.

2.30 5.10 **QUEEN'S** 7.15 9.20

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and

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